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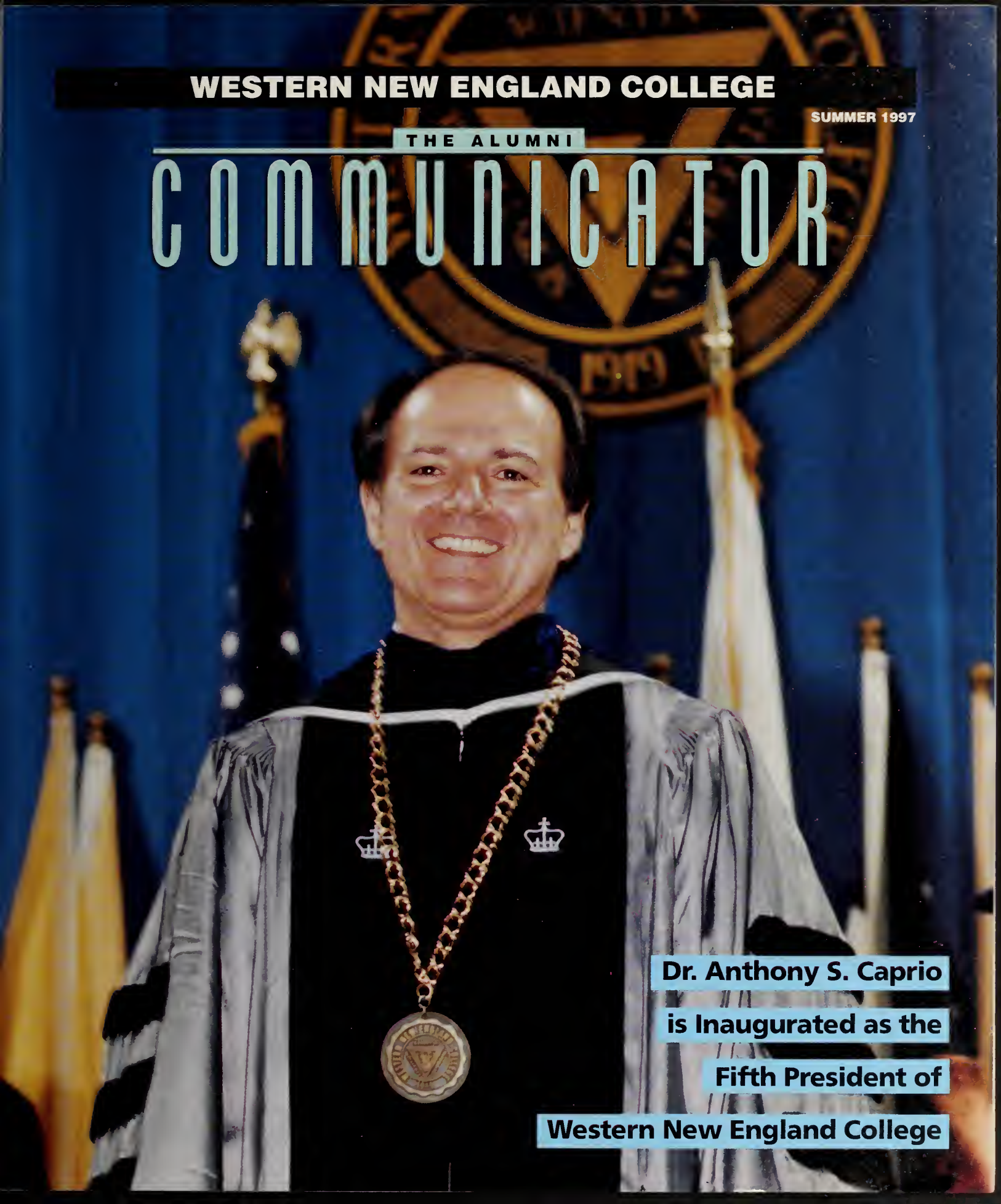

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A SENSE OF NEW beginnings was in the air on the afternoon of April 25. Students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, and friends made their way from every direction of the campus to the Alumni Healthful Living Center for the Inauguration of Dr. Anthony S. Caprio as fifth president of Western New England College. Flowers were in bloom as each path, roadway, and sidewalk was crowded with people moving toward the Center on a beautiful, breezy Friday afternoon.

Dr. Anthony S. Caprio faces the audience after being invested as the fifth president of Western New England College.

The field house, where the Inauguration took place, was decorated with giant palm trees, banana and ficus trees, beautiful yellow straw flowers, and Boston fern. The Springfield Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet provided the music, and the event began with a lively procession of 400 students, trustees, faculty, staff, alumni, and other delegates dressed in the traditional caps, gowns, and colorful hoods. Professor Henry Bazan led the procession as the Grand Marshal. "I was proud to be selected to represent the faculty and the institution carrying the newly created mace. It was a wonderful honor bestowed on me," he said.

"There have been many proud moments over the history of the College; however, I believe this Inauguration of Dr. Anthony Caprio is the proudest public moment for Western New England College."

— Alfred A. LaRiviere '51/H'95, trustee

"The Inauguration Committee was privileged to have Gerald E. D'Amour serve as its Honorary Chair, along with a dedicated group of volunteers including staff, faculty, students, and trustees," commented Jane Albert, chair of the Inauguration Committee. "Our efforts focused on involving all constituents of the College and building a sense of community as we planned the events for the Inauguration."

"This was my first experience ever marching," said Sue Paschetto, accounting assistant in the Student Payroll/Student Loan office. "I felt honored to be part of this event. I was very impressed with the symbolism of marching with every representative of the College and community. There was so much excitement beforehand, as faculty, staff, and administrators helped each other put robes on and line up for the procession. It was just a very special time."

Forty-nine students carried flags in the procession representing the home states and countries of the student body currently attending the College. These students placed their flags behind the seats on the platform, making for a colorful backdrop to the ceremony. Seventy other students carried

"This really is a celebration of the College. I remember when we were collecting money for our first building and a lot of people were saying, 'You're wasting your time.' When we started collecting money for the second building, they said, 'That's as far as you're going to go.' And look at Western New England College today.

"Dr. Caprio has inherited a real up and coming College, and I think he has a very clear vision of where he wants to take it. He mixes well with the students, and that's sometimes hard for a president. It's very much to his credit that he has this rapport with them as well as with his peers including the Board of Trustees and faculty."

— Ben Astley '48

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brightly colored banners representing all clubs and organizations of the College.

Also in the procession were delegates representing many different colleges and universities, learned societies, and professional associations. Delegates came from as far away as Georgia, Indiana, Missouri, and Washington, D.C. Lady Annie Renwick flew in from London for the event, representing Richmond, The American International University in London.

Professor Julie Siciliano, master of ceremonies, began the event for the more than 1,000 attendees by introducing the many greeters who represented different constituencies associated with the College. Congressman Richard Neal gave the first greeting, welcoming and congratulating Dr. Caprio. He was followed by Gary Shepard, representing the Mayor of the City of Springfield Michael Albano; State Senator Brian Lees; and State Representative Paul Caron. Other greeters included Allan Blair L'96 representing the business community; Carol Leary, president of Bay Path College, representing higher education; Alfred LaRiviere '51 benefactor, trustee, and alumnus of the College; Emma Anderson, neighbor and friend of the College whose remarks lent a touch of lightheartedness to the occasion; Geoffrey Stowell, president of the Student Association; Amy Russo, president of the Student

Some honored guests sit in the first row including L to R: Winifred Herman, wife of the late Beaumont Herman who was president of the College from 1955 to 1976; Betty Davison, wife of Professor Emeritus Wellen Davison; Arthur Clarke, a friend and benefactor of the College; and Wellen Davison. Said Mrs. Herman, "I'm delighted with the new president and am so proud the College had the will and the resources to have such an wonderful Inauguration. When my husband, Beaumont Herman, became president of the College in 1955, there was no campus, no buildings, no day students, and no full-time faculty. They had a reception for him in the parlor of Faith Church so that the trustees could meet him. The College has come a long way, and this Inauguration is a proud moment."

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Bar Association; Ned Schwartz, chair of the Faculty Senate; Howard Kalodner, professor of law; Gregory Michael, director of Career and Human Resources at the College; and Michael Serafino '77, president of the Alumni Association. Each of the greetings brought a diverse and interesting perspective to the day's events. "Dr. Caprio's inclusion of comments by so many people who are a part of the College family is very impressive," commented alumnus Everett Ladd '63, who traveled from Virginia for the Inauguration. "I believe this reflects his style and approach to continuing to build the College."

Dr. Paula P. Brownlee gave the inaugural address. She has served as president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C. since 1990. She has been a college president, dean of faculty, professor of organic chemistry, research chemist, and author. Dr. Brownlee is known nationally and internationally for her contributions to higher education and for her achievements as an educational leader. In her speech, she told the College community, "You have a thoughtful, intellectually-engaged president; he cares about the content of the courses students take, and about the means of their learning. But only you can encourage his continued interest and help develop his knowledge where the fields are changing rapidly and

Dr. Caprio with trustee Gerald E. D'Amour, honorary chair of the Inauguration Committee.

"The inaugural celebration was exciting because it brought together the history of the College—alumni and retired faculty—as well as the future.

"The inauguration of a new president is an infrequent event at Western New England College and one that each time has improved and moved forward the opportunities and success of the school. Dr. Caprio joins the College at a time of great financial strength and is in a wonderful position to lead us in a creative and exciting direction as we move toward the 21st Century. I am personally thrilled to have the opportunity to work with him. In a very short time he has demonstrated an openness, creativity, and business acumen from which we will all benefit."

— Kim Mac Leod '73, trustee

"After attending the Inauguration, I decided to volunteer for the Alumni Association. I heard so many positive things about Dr. Caprio and his plans for the school, especially his interest in raising the academic standards and focusing on faculty. As a graduate of the school, and a master's degree candidate, I want to do everything I can to make the College better. This in the end will help all alumni because as the reputation of the College grows, our degrees become more valuable. I've been going to Western New England College for many years now and I have gotten to know many faculty members. I've studied in the past at Smith College and the University of Pennsylvania and I can honestly say the faculty here are equivalent to or better than the others."

— Sandy Bement '94

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technology is altering the very way our students see and understand the world."

Sister Mary Caritas, chairman of the Board of Trustees, performed the investiture. She spoke, "Dr. Caprio, after an extensive national search, the Board of Trustees has elected you unanimously to serve as president of Western New England College. Your commitment to higher education, to its ideals and to its values is welcomed at this institution. You are a scholar who has shown, by your deeds, your love of education. You are a friend to our students and an advocate for our alumni. The characteristics and personal attributes you bring make it a privilege to have you as our president. Yours will be the honor and responsibility of leading Western New England College, knowing you have the trust, confidence, and support of all assembled here today."

Sister Caritas then presented Dr. Caprio with the President's Medallion and the College Charter. The Medallion bears the College Seal, which contains a lighted torch at the center symbolizing the continuing search for knowledge, and the triangle which bridges the Latin words for knowledge, integrity, and service, which reflect the mission and character of the College. The names of the four previous presidents with their years of service are inscribed on the back of

Professor Henry Bazan leads the procession as Grand Marshal, flanked by the Army R.O.T.C. Bazan carries the College's new mace, designed and crafted for this occasion by master wood sculptor Dimitrios Klitsas. It is four feet long, and sculpted from walnut. The spirals carved at the base represent the spiraling knowledge gained through education. The upper portion features four petals under the Seal of the College, each symbolizing the four schools, all supporting the Seal, signifying the mission of Western New England College.

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the Medallion. President Caprio's name has now been added.

Following the investiture, Dr. Anthony Caprio gave his inspiring inaugural remarks. He stressed integrating liberal arts with a professional education saying, "Let us create a fresh perspective at Western New England College. Let us find our distinctive niche: the advantages of undertaking learning in an environment of integrated liberal and professional learning."

A recessional ended the formal ceremony and a canopied walkway led guests to the reception held in a large beautiful tent on the side of the Alumni Healthful Living Center. An ice sculpture of the Golden Bear welcomed guests at the entrance of the tent, and delicious refreshments were served within. President Caprio, with his wife, Dr. Dana Carton, and their son, Mark, greeted students, alumni, faculty, staff, and friends, who stayed to congratulate the President and share in the excitement of the day.

The College was honored by the attendance of Donald S. Stanton, president of Oglethorpe University in Atlanta where Dr. Caprio served as provost and professor of language and literature before coming to Western New England College last September. "Dr. Caprio is an extraordinary leader. He leads with intelligence and sensitivity," Dr. Stanton said. "I've enjoyed our friend-

"I talked to some people who have been to other inaugurations and they said this was one of the best they had been to by far. The College looks great. This is a very friendly and open program. Dr. Caprio is very relaxed and that makes even the formal moments more personal. I really like the fact that he is so involved with the students. You see him around the campus all the time stopping to talk with students and to see what concerns them. He's really there for the students. It is important for the student body to be here welcoming him today."

— Geoff Stowell '98, president of the Student Association and a greeter

Staff members march in the procession led by Marshals Denise Crawford '61 and Edward Lindberg.

Faculty march, led by Marshals Ann Kizanis and Denis Luciano.

Andrew Bogle, Class of 2000, sings the National Anthem a cappella to begin the Inauguration.

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ship and working with Anthony Caprio. I know he will do an outstanding job at Western New England College."

Other honored guests included Douglas J. Bennet, president of Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, where Dr. Caprio received a B.A. degree and Benjamin Ladner, president of American University in Washington, D.C. where Dr. Caprio served as an administrator and professor for nine years.

"You can see that everyone is happy," said alumna Margaret Downey '49 at the reception. "The excitement is marvelous, and it touches upon many different groups of people. Dr. Caprio embraced the whole College, and I think his speech showed us that he is aware of what has to be done now. I liked his emphasis on liberal arts, and it would seem that his intention is to marry the liberal arts and the business background; that the two complement each other. Western New England College is going to grow in a very fine way."

Many glowing compliments were overheard at the reception. Everyone seemed thrilled with the day's events and happy about the future of Western New England College. Noted Julie Siciliano, "It was a real honor to be master of ceremonies. I've been in front of large crowds before, but this time was really special. I noticed that every person in the audience was paying close attention the whole time. Nobody chatted or talked. That really says something about this event. It is important to everyone. Also, seeing faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends smiling together, excited about the future, and participating in the ceremony signifies to me a true College community."

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Dr. Donald Stanton, president of Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, where Dr. Caprio served as provost and professor of language and literature prior to becoming president of Western New England College, congratulates Dr. Caprio at a special luncheon before the Inauguration. Says Dr. Stanton, "I am very impressed with Western New England College. It seems quite responsive to the community. The people are kind and warm and we had a delightful time at the Inauguration."

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Emma Anderson, neighbor and friend of the College, poses with Dr. Caprio, his wife, Dr. Dana Carton, and their son, Mark, during the reception.

Mike Serafino '77, president of the Alumni Association, presents Dr. Caprio with a special clock from the Class of 1951 during the ceremony. "This is a great day and a joyous occasion," said Mike after the event. "Western New England College needs a strong leader with a sense of vision. This Inauguration is a celebration of that recognition."

Professor Howard Kalodner brings greetings from the School of Law.

Enjoying the reception are Dr. Anthony Caprio (center) with his wife, Dr. Dana Carton (to his left), their son, Mark (far left), and his parents, Esther and Salvatore Caprio (right).

Forty-nine students carry flags in the procession representing the home states and countries of the student body currently attending the College.

"Based on my own experience, I'd say that Anthony Caprio has begun one of the best jobs that a person can have. A college president has so much opportunity to help other people realize their ambitions. Western New England College is fortunate indeed to have someone of Anthony's leadership ability."

— Dr. Douglas J. Bennet, president of Wesleyan University

Many honored guests and friends join Dr. Caprio and his family at a luncheon before the Inauguration. Edmund S. Childs, who represented Harvard University as a delegate in the Inaugural procession, came with his daughter, Suzanne C. Hogan.

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President's Inaugural Remarks

The following are excerpts from the president's inaugural speech made April 25, 1997:

I am honored to be the fifth president of Western New England College. You have asked that I lead this College. I will do so with energy. I accept the challenges you and your fellow Board members have presented me. The work of leadership is to achieve a new vision of our future. This pursuit, however, is not the work of one man. Without the trustees, faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends of this College, I can do nothing. My vision emerges from the commitment, talents, and resources of each and every member of our community. Ours is a communal responsibility to advance the College and to realize its full promise.

. . . This is a College of people. Students, trustees, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends of this College, for eight months now I have seen your commitment and devotion to our College. Together we will work to chart this institution's future and to secure its strength. Together we will define an identity all our own. Together we will think strategically and creatively to develop a clearly-articulated mission and sense of our goals and purposes. To achieve this we must renew our commitment to create a campus environment in which ideas and opinions are openly expressed and valued, and in which the advancement of this College is in the mind and in the work of every individual in this campus community. We are all citizens of the College, regardless of our jobs, our rank, or our title. In our decisions and actions, we must all take a College-wide perspective.

Let us transform our sense of ourselves as members of this organization. Let us accept the responsibility to be participative, to be communicative, to be broad of spirit, and to be supportive. Let us move ahead with the common goal of advancing the entire College to its next level. Let us begin together. Let us move forward with a renewed sense of self. Let us set the finest example to each other. "There are few earthly things more beautiful than a University," spoke the poet John Masefield, "It is a place where those who hate ignorance may strive to know, where those who perceive truth may strive to make others see; where seekers and learners alike, banded together in the search for knowledge, will honor thought in all its finer ways. . . .There are few earthly things more splendid than a University." Such is our splendor at Western New England College.

. . .To all students of the College—full-time and part-time, undergraduate and graduate, law and off-campus—we express our commitment to assuring that you will receive the best education possible. We at this College hold as the highest measure of our work our ability to make a difference in your lives. *Anything* that has an impact on you, *anything* that is essential for you to be successful at this College, will be our concern. We will reach out to you. We will always be focused on you, the students of this College. We will look at you with the keen awareness of the possibilities that are contained within you—you, the next wave of whole and balanced people who will renew and reinvigorate our society.

. . . I am grateful to the College's alumni for the devotion and loyalty they demonstrate toward their alma mater. From this College emerge great people and great leaders.

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Dr. Caprio after being presented with the President's Medallion and the College Charter.

. . . We have a challenge before us today. If ever the world cried out in need for breadth of view and length of perspective, it is now. We must hold ourselves to defining professional and liberal education for this era. Everything we do should be viewed in light of our drive to integrate liberal and professional education. Let us proceed with a new and unique definition of this College as a place where professional and liberal learning are interrelated for all of our students regardless of their major. We must work at the intersections of our disciplines, professional or liberal, to advance connected learning. We need to redefine what we mean by liberal and professional education so that each can remain in full strength, each reinforced and enhanced by the other. Our tradition and mission encourage us, actually compel us, to achieve liberal and professional education that are mutually enriching.

. . . In what better setting than this College—this unique and special College—can we show students that ultimately human knowledge is interdependent. Let us be pioneers with our students at the new frontiers created when we break away from the confines of our respective disciplines. Let our students see us working together and teaching together. The challenges our students will face in the new century will be solved by breadth of view and length of perspective.

Let us create a fresh perspective at Western New England College. Let us find our distinctive niche: the advantages of undertaking learning in an environment of integrated liberal and professional learning.

Students, trustees, faculty, staff, alumni, and supporters of this College, I look forward to working with you to build this College. I look forward to working with you to preserve, to support, to sustain, and to advance this institution which clearly has a future worthy of its past.

Forty-one years ago tomorrow, April 26, 1956, this land was purchased for our campus. Look how we have grown. We are still young, but we are moving gracefully and elegantly into our maturity. Louis Pasteur spoke these words in his inaugural address in 1854 at the University of Lille in France: "Chance favors the ready mind." I am confident that if we make our minds ready, if we scrutinize ourselves and our potential, if we strive for excellence, if we search tirelessly for new possibilities, if we keep our resolve, if we persist with optimism and confidence, with ingenuity and creativity, and if we work collectively—all of us, honoring and respecting one another—then we will succeed beyond our greatest dreams.

"I am impressed with how Dr. Caprio brings all different aspects of the College together, and I think his speech reflects his belief that we work together for a common end which is the education of our students. I can see why people are excited about what's going to happen to Western New England College in the upcoming years."

— Mike Susco '70

Greeters, Congressman Richard Neal, Law School alumnus Allan Blair, and Massachusetts State Representative Paul Caron talk before the Inauguration.

The audience applauds after Dr. Caprio made his inaugural remarks. In front are Leon Carman L'41 and his son, Tracy Carman G'90. In the second row are trustees Arthur Dickman and Tom Burton '70.

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Alumni Morey Stearns '35 and William Holmes '34 chat before marching in the Inaugurational procession.

Dr. Caprio poses with students who helped to prepare and serve the food at the reception.

Members of the Platform Party include L to R: Professor Henry Bazan, Grand Marshal; Rabbi Jerome Gurland, who gave the Benediction; The Most Reverend Thomas L. Dupré, who delivered the Invocation; Dr. Paula P. Brownlee, president of the Association of American Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C., who presented the inaugural address; and Professor Julie Siciliano, Master of Ceremonies.

Sister Mary Caritas, chairman of the Board of Trustees, presents Dr. Caprio with the President's Medallion and College Charter during the ceremony. She commented after, "The Inauguration was done with a great style and professionalism. The Inauguration Committee did a great job. The speakers were diverse and interesting and I was proud of the quality of the whole event. Dr. Caprio let people see whom the Trustees selected to represent the College—his experience, ability, and personal qualities came through today."

The Pre-Inaugural Celebration – Faculty, Staff, and Students Celebrate the College with Dr. Caprio and his Family

"The purpose of this celebration is to honor the campus community," said Dr. Anthony Caprio at the pre-inaugural semi-formal event held in the Alumni Healthful Living Center on Saturday evening, April 12.

More than 500 students, faculty, and staff came together to celebrate the College, its new direction, and its new president. Hors d'oeuvres were served and a disc jockey provided a variety of music for dancing. "The atmosphere was fantastic," said Yvonne Bogle, director of diversity programs and services, who came with her husband, Neville '75/G'81. "Everyone was smiling and there were people dancing I never thought I would see. We laughed all night."

Students and faculty members agreed that the evening was a great deal of fun for all members of the College. "The people at this celebration really represented the whole school," said Matthew Hastings, a junior business major. "To see this mix of faculty, staff, and students really made an impact on me when I first walked in. Everyone was laughing and dancing. You couldn't help but have a good time."

By coincidence, April 12 also happened to be Dr. Caprio's birthday. A surprise birthday cake was presented during the evening and everybody sang "Happy Birthday" to the president.

Marilyn Pelosi, associate professor of quantitative methods and computer information systems, also spoke of the festive atmosphere and added, "There was a spirit of renewed energy and optimism, a sense of community togetherness. Most importantly, it was a happy crowd—everyone was smiling, dancing, and having fun. I guess 'energy' was the most prevailing thought as I left that night."

Trustee Alfred LaRiviere '51/H'95 and his wife, Marian, dance the night away.

Dr. Caprio, his wife, Dr. Dana Carton, and their son, Mark, enjoy the evening. Said Dr. Caprio, "Tonight we are celebrating who we are and all that we have become as a College."

Some of the many students smiling and having fun at the Pre-Inaugural Celebration April 12.

Students, faculty, and staff form a conga line and dance their way around the field house.

Sara Weinberger, assistant professor of social work, and Yvonne Bogle, director of diversity programs and services, dance at the Celebration.

CAMPUS NEWS

Celebrating Diversity at Western New England College

Learning about new cultures and celebrating our cultural differences brought the College community together on April 8 for Diversity Day. A musical group, Native Americans, and an award winning poet visited the Western New England College campus as students, faculty, and staff alike tried foods from different parts of the world, listened to music, and took part in a Native American powwow.

During the lunch hour, the campus was treated to Ecuadorian music by the group Yarina in the Campus Center Dining Hall. Also during the lunch hour, in the mall area of the Campus Center, a Native American powwow took place featuring a dance, drumming, storytelling, food sampling, and crafts. The Native American dancers, including children, invited participants from the College to join in, and created a dance line around the mall area.

During the evening, Martin Espada, author of five poetry collections and the editor of *Poetry like Bread: Poets of the Political Imagination* (1994), gave a poetry reading. His awards include two fellowships from the NEA, a Massachusetts Artists' Fellowship, the PEN/Revson Fellowship, and the Paterson Poetry Prize. He has also been nominated for the National Book Circle Award. He teaches in the Department of English at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

A variety of ethnic foods were available during lunch time. The People's Place featured a buffet of international dishes. Gyros were served in the Campus Center snack bar. Tacos were sold at the taco cart in the Campus Center mall area, along with free samples of rice dishes from around the world and of Native American food.

Diversity Day was sponsored by the Human Relations Committee and has become a special annual event on campus with the goal of bringing the campus together and encouraging a sense of school spirit and community.

Native Americans lead a powwow in the Campus Center and invite the audience to participate during Diversity Day in April.

The group Yarina entertains the campus with Ecuadorian music during Diversity Day, April 8, 1997.

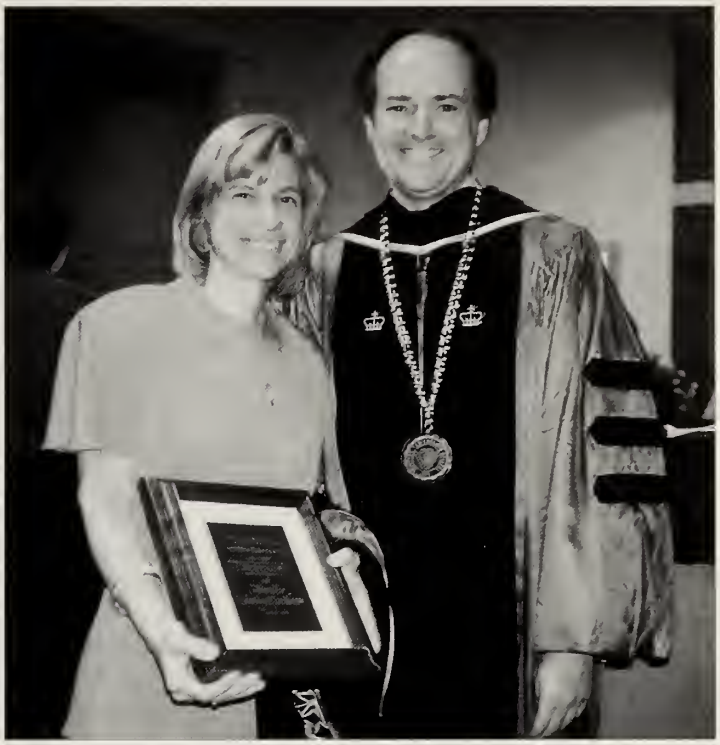
Two Ceremonies Honor Students and a Professor

More than 140 students were recognized for outstanding academic achievement and commitment to cocurricular activity at the College during the Student Recognition Ceremony, April 27, at the Alumni Healthful Living Center.

Academic awards were given in each of the Schools early in the afternoon.

During the ceremony, the 1997 Teaching Excellence Award was bestowed upon Marilyn Pelosi, associate professor of quantitative methods and computer information systems. Dr. Pelosi has been teaching at Western New England College since 1981. Courses she teaches include Statistics, Marketing Research, Operations Management, Computer Information Systems, Humanities (Italian Renaissance/Irish Revival), Operations Research, and the College Success Skills Course. She says, "I love the students here. Every semester is new and different and I do have the best job on campus!"

After a dinner, the 27th Annual Student Awards Ceremony honored students in different categories for their commitment to co-curricular activity at the College. Student Ambassadors for 1996-97 and students named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* were also recognized.



Professor Marilyn Pelosi, who was awarded the Teaching Excellence Award, stands with Dr. Caprio after the Student Recognition Ceremony in April.

The Management Association at the College recently awarded Dr. Anthony Caprio the Golden Bear on the occasion of his Inauguration. From left to right are: Chad Jzyk '98, Heather Kenney '99, and Erynn Schmidt '97, vice president, treasurer, and president of the Management Association respectively; Dr. Caprio; and Professor Henry Bazan, advisor to the group.

Students Named to Who's Who

The following 17 Western New England College students were chosen to be included in the 1996-97 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges:* John Abbey, Devonna Amiss, Sarah Anderson, Michelle Bourdeau, William Briggs III, Daniel Bruno, Tara Collins, Driskell Farquharson, Melissa Gardner, Christie Janchuk, Peter Marangoudakis, Ian Martin, Matthew Normand, Kelly O'Connell, Joseph Pieksza, Erynn Schmidt, and Traci-Ann Terenzini.

Professors Honored at Faculty Awards Ceremony

Continuing a tradition of celebrating our faculty, the College honored 17 former professors with Professor Emeritus status and recognized 23 current professors for professional accomplishments in a special ceremony on April 10 in Sleith Hall. During this year's Faculty Awards Ceremony, Professor Emeritus status was conferred on retired professors who served at the College for 15 years or more. Current professors who received tenure, promotions, sabbaticals, or summer research grants this year were recognized.

The following are the 17 professors earning Professor Emeritus status:

Jack P. Brin, associate professor of mathematics, began teaching at the College in 1968, was tenured in 1973, and retired in 1997.

Frederick W. Brown, Jr., associate professor of management, came to the College in 1963, was tenured in 1966, and retired in 1995. He was appointed as dean of the Evening Division and Summer Session in 1972 and became an associate professor in 1978. The School of Business has for the past two years conducted the Frederick Brown Executive Lecture Series in his honor.

Richard F. Burns, professor of education, began at Western New England College in 1958 as an associate professor of chemistry. He was tenured in 1963 and promoted to professor of chemistry in 1967. After serving as chair of the Department of Physical Sciences from 1968 through 1972, he was appointed professor of education in 1973 and served as chair of the Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Education from 1982 through 1988. Professor Burns was the director of the Summer Session for over seven years and coached the men's and women's varsity bowling teams for 30 years. He retired in 1995.

Robert L. Campbell began at the College in 1958 as dean of students. He was promoted to dean of the College and tenured as a faculty member in 1963. He became academic vice president and dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and a professor in 1966. His title changed to academic vice president in 1968 and he was tenured in this position in 1969. He became dean of the School of Arts and Sciences and professor of philosophy from 1973 through 1985 when he retired.

Earl C. Chapin was appointed in 1962 as a professor of chemistry and chair of the Department of Physical Sciences and Mathematics. He served as dean of the School of Arts and Sciences from 1968 through 1973. He was appointed as a professor of chemistry in 1974 and he retired in 1989.

Alfred A. Clarke, Jr., professor of sociology, began teaching at the College in 1971. He served as chair of the Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Education from 1973 through 1976. He was tenured in 1976, promoted to associate professor in 1977, and to professor in 1984. Professor Clarke then served as chair of the Department of Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, and Education in 1988 and in 1989 was appointed chair of the Department of Human Studies. He retired in 1990.

Eleven of the seventeen former professors receiving Professor Emeriti status in a special ceremony in April were on hand:

Jack Brin, associate professor of mathematics, taught at the College from 1968 to 1997.

Frederick Brown, Jr. (right), standing with Professor Henry Bazan, was an associate professor of management and taught at the College from 1963 to 1995.

Richard Burns, shaking hands with Dean Porter, was a professor of education and taught at the College from 1958 to 1995.

Wellen G. Davison was appointed in 1958 as an assistant professor of mechanical engineering. He was promoted to associate professor in 1962. In 1963 he took a leave of absence to participate in a National Science Foundation Fellowship. He was tenured in 1964 and promoted to professor in 1966. He served as chair of the Department of Mechanical Engineering from 1966 through 1978 and retired from the College in 1989. The Wellen Davison Seminar presented at the College in January each year is named in his honor. This seminar is a daylong event where faculty, staff, and outside speakers are asked to give presentations on different topics each year to enhance the academic environment.

Rene L. Dube began his career at Western New England College in 1964 as an assistant professor of electrical engineering. He was tenured in 1967, promoted to associate professor in 1968, and served as chair of the Department of Electrical Engineering from 1972 through 1976. He became a full professor in 1975 and retired in 1994.

Lloyd S. Emerson became an instructor in mathematics at the College in 1960. He was promoted to assistant professor in 1963 and tenured in 1966. He became an associate professor in 1970, a full professor of mathematics in 1987, and retired in 1994.

Tullius J. Frizzi, licensed psychologist, was appointed by the College in 1973 as an assistant professor of psychology. He served as chair of the Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Education from 1976 through 1979. He became an associate professor in 1979, was tenured the same year, and retired in 1988.

Elinor C. Hartshorn began teaching at Western New England College in 1973 as an assistant professor of government. She was tenured in 1978, promoted to associate professor in 1979, and appointed acting assistant dean of the School of Arts and Sciences in 1983. She served as an associate professor and assistant dean of the School of Arts and Sciences from 1984 through 1987. Professor Hartshorn retired in 1990.

Lester Hirsch started teaching at the College as an associate professor of English in 1959. He received tenure in 1963 and was promoted to a professor in 1966. He served as chair of the Department of English from 1966 through 1971. Professor Hirsch retired in 1990.

Donald R. Jacobs came to the College in 1966 as an assistant professor of mathematics. He was tenured in 1970, promoted to associate professor in 1972, and served as chair of the Department of Mathematics from 1976 through 1981. He became a full professor in 1979 and retired in 1994.

Patricia Miller began at the College as an assistant professor of English in 1966. She received tenure in 1969 and was appointed chair of the Department of English and Humanities in 1971 through 1989. She became an associate professor in 1972 and supervisor of the Writing Center Lab from 1983 through 1989. She was promoted to professor of English in 1984 and retired in 1995.

Earl Chapin, professor of chemistry and dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, served the College from 1962 to 1989.

Al Clarke, Jr., professor of sociology, taught at the College from 1971 to 1990.

Wellen Davison, professor of mechanical engineering, served the College from 1958 to 1989.

Lloyd Emerson, shaking hands with Dr. Caprio, was a professor of mathematics and taught from 1960 to 1994.

Professors Honored at Faculty Awards Ceremony *continued*

Albert C. Pryor, Jr. began teaching sociology and psychology at the College in 1967. He served as chair of the Department of Psychology, Sociology, and Education from 1968 through 1971 and received tenure in 1969. Dr. Pryor retired in 1983.

E. Louis Raverta became an associate professor of accounting at the College in 1964. He was tenured in 1967 and served as chair of the Department of Accounting from 1967 through 1982. He became a professor of accounting in 1970 and retired in 1982.

Henry L. Sundberg, Jr. began at the College as an assistant professor of mechanical engineering in 1959. He was promoted to associate professor in 1963 and tenured the same year. Professor Sundberg became a full professor in 1967 and retired in 1991.

All these professors were honored for their past contributions to the College and were presented with a certificate by Dr. Rex Stevens, vice president for academic affairs, and a special medallion by Dr. Anthony Caprio, president of the College. The Professor Emeritus medallion bears the College logo and may be worn by these former faculty at formal academic ceremonies.

Professors who received tenure or were promoted this year were then recognized by the deans of each respective school. Paul J. Costanzo, assistant professor of marketing, received tenure. Gail Fletcher was promoted to associate professor of biology; Eric W. Haffner to professor of industrial engineering; Theodore Johnson-South to associate professor of history; Mohammad N. Khosrowjerdi to professor of mechanical engineering; Ann Kizanis, to associate professor of mathematics; James J. Moriarty to associate professor of electrical engineering; Ned S. Schwartz to professor of business law; Donald C. Williams to associate professor of government; and Vladimir Wozniuk to professor of government.

Three professors were awarded sabbaticals for the full academic year 1997-98: John Andrulis, professor of economics; William Bradley, professor of electrical engineering; and Theodore Johnson-South, assistant professor of history. Sara Weinberger, assistant professor of social work and director of the social work program, was awarded a sabbatical for the fall 1997. Glen Ebisch, associate professor of philosophy, and Julie Siciliano, assistant professor of management, were awarded sabbaticals for the spring 1998.

The following professors were awarded summer research grants: Emmett Barcalow, Jr., professor of philosophy and English; William Ferris, professor of management; Robert Klein, assistant professor of education and director of the Teacher Education Program; Sharon Lee, assistant professor of finance; May Lo, assistant professor of accounting; Fred Obligación, assistant professor of sociology; and Jeff Schrenzel, assistant professor of social work.

After the ceremony, a dinner was held for all recipients and their guests with President Caprio, Dr. Stevens, the deans, Faculty Senate chair Ned Schwartz, faculty presenters, and faculty chairs.

Elinor Hartshorn, associate professor of government, served the College from 1973 to 1990.

Lester Hirsch, professor of English, taught at the College from 1959 to 1990.

Donald Jacobs, professor of mathematics, taught from 1966 to 1994.

Albert Pryor, Jr., professor of sociology and psychology, taught at the College from 1967 to 1983.

Lacrosse Team Reaches Finals of Conference Tournament

For the second consecutive season, the Western New England College lacrosse team reached the finals of the Pilgrim League Championships. Unlike last year however, when the Golden Bears won the title, WNEC fell 26-9 in the championship game against Eastern Connecticut State University.

The brother tandem of senior Chris Wicker and sophomore PJ Wicker (New Windsor, NY) led the team in scoring all season. PJ had the second highest single-season scoring total ever with 63 points (37 goals and 26 assists), while Chris poured in 48 goals, a new school record.

Junior John Miller (Long Valley, NJ) had another strong season, finishing with 17 goals and 30 assists. Senior Ryan Nolan (South Hadley, MA) became the third Western New England College player to notch 100 career goals, accomplishing the feat in a win over Clark University. He finished the year with 21 goals and 24 assists and was named to the New England Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association's All-Star Second Team at the conclusion of the season.

Baseball

The baseball team finished with a 16-11 overall mark and an 8-6 record in the Constitution Athletic Conference. The Golden Bears reached the final of the Consitution Athletic Conference tournament before bowing to Springfield College.

The Golden Bears placed three players on the First Team of the CAC All Stars—Junior third baseman Todd Watson (Framingham, MA) who led the team with a .414 batting average, junior pitcher Brian Beekman (Middletown, NJ) who finished with a 4-3 record and 3.86 ERA, and junior outfielder DJ Carmody (Greenfield, MA) who batted .352 with a team-high 20 RBI.

Sophomore Eric Kaleta (Westfield, MA) was named CAC Rookie of the Year and earned a spot on the Second Team after batting .390 with 13 RBI in his first collegiate season. Also named to the second team were junior catcher Lou Russell (Abington, MA) who hit a career-high .333, and sophomore pitcher/outfielder Dave Ferguson (Pittsfield, MA) who had a 4-1 record and 3.18 ERA, and also hit .384 at the plate with 14 RBI.

Softball

The softball team finished with a 10-15 record, but may have found its star of the future in freshman Jackie Hicks (Shelburne Falls, MA). She led the team with a .370 batting average and 14 RBI. She also pitched 21 games, finishing with a 9-7 record and 2.76 ERA.

Junior catcher Amy Giroux (Hopedale, MA) was having a strong season until an injury forced her to miss the last seven games. She ended the year with a .358 average at the plate. Sophomore Jamie Barras (Long Valley, NJ) also did double duty this season, playing first base and pitching. She ended the season with a .318 batting average and a 1-3 record on the mound in six starts.

For the second consecutive season, the Western New England College lacrosse team reached the finals of the Pilgrim League Championships. The team is shown above playing against Endicott College in April.

Dates to Note

September 2
Classes begin, 8:00 a.m.

September 20
Homecoming

October 4
Family Weekend

October 11-14
Fall Recess

November 26-30
Thanksgiving Recess

December 15-20
Final Examinations

NEWS FROM THE DEANS

From Burton Porter, dean, School of Arts and Sciences:

These are very exciting times in the School of Arts and Sciences. The faculty undertook to clarify the mission of the School, asserting that Arts and Sciences has three primary objectives: To provide majors in the liberal arts, to provide courses that satisfy general education requirements, and to provide elective courses throughout the College.

Our education effort continues to grow. We have hired an elementary education instructor, and in the fall will have in place an elementary education program. An excellent choice for many in this program will be the new American studies major. We have responded to student interest by adding minors in Latin American studies and public administration.

Two proposals that are likely to go forward are the Honors program and writing-intensive courses. The faculty wish to challenge the outstanding students and so have proposed an Honors program largely based on existing courses that have been enriched. They have also proposed the next stage in the college writing program to be the development of writing-intensive courses, so students maintain the sharpness they achieve in freshman English throughout their college careers.

The special academic opportunities have expanded to include study abroad at Regent's College in London. This college enrolls a wide spectrum of students from around the world. While there, Western New England College students learn about their culture as well as the London scene. Regent's is located in a Royal park in the heart of this magnificent capital, minutes away from the London Zoo, 221b Baker Street (the residence of Sherlock Holmes), and Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum. Theatres, libraries, and art museums are short subway rides away. It is a wonderful opportunity for the intellectually curious.

Finally, this has been a year of growth and change for the faculty. New or replacement faculty have been recruited in criminal justice, economics, English (two positions), government, mathematics, and teacher education.

Burton Porter, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences

Stanley Kowalski, dean of the School of Business

From Stanley Kowalski, dean, School of Business:

This time of the year I find myself attending recognition dinners and banquets and reflecting on the accomplishments of our students and faculty. After all of these years I am still amazed at their accomplishments. They seem to get better and better.

In April, I had the privilege of attending the induction ceremony of our honorees to the Delta Mu Delta Honor Society. Students must have at least a 3.4 grade point average following at least 60 credit hours. We honored 49 inductees. Julie Siciliano, the advisor of this honor society, reported that she had an impressive list of student inductees who, in addition to having achieved academically, were also involved in numerous campus and community activities.

Recently I learned that the paper Dr. May Lo, assistant professor of accounting, presented at the Northeast Decision Sciences Institute annual meeting in Annapolis, MD, was judged to be the Outstanding Paper in Application of Theory and she received the Virginia Pearson Honor Award at their luncheon. Dr. David Russell, associate professor of computer information systems and chair of the Department of Quantitative Methods and Computer Information Systems, went to the meeting and reported that the conference was heavily attended. He was proud when he heard May Lo and Western New England College were singled out for recognition.

On April 10, we held the annual Springfield Leadership Institute Banquet at which time we recognized the graduates of a ten-week program delivered by faculty of the management department. This is an annual program designed by community leaders and educators to prepare concerned men and women for leadership in the community. Judge George Sheehy, State Representative Raymond Jordan, and Congressmen Richard Neal were just a few of the names on the list of over 700 graduates. We have been involved in this program since 1982. Professors of management Drs. Russ Fanelli, Bill Ferris, and Peter Hess were instrumental in developing the program which now includes them and four additional colleagues as instructors. Each year I have the privilege of reading the positive evaluation reports from the graduates.

The deans would love to hear from alumni and encourage you to contact them individually.

Stephen Crist, dean of the School of Engineering

Donald Dunn, interim dean of the School of Law

From Stephen Crist, dean, School of Engineering:

One positive development this year is the job market for our graduates. In recent years, our graduates have generally found employment in their field, but they had to work at it. This year, the employers are coming to us. So far, companies that have interviewed our graduates include Lockheed-Martin in Syracuse, NY; Hamilton Standard and Sikorsky in Connecticut; Pratt & Whitney in Florida; General Dynamics and Husky Injection Systems in Pittsfield, MA; General Dynamics Land Systems in Detroit; and New England Power Pool.

Sixteen other companies have requested resumes of engineering seniors through the STARS program in the Office of Career and Human Resources. General Dynamics Land Systems, Pratt & Whitney, and Sikorsky have been sponsoring projects on campus with Dr. Presz and his students, and this has helped several students get jobs.

We had the privilege of hosting the Region I (New York and New England) regional Association of Engineering Student Councils conference the weekend of April 11. The theme of the conference was "Engineering the Future." Events at this meeting included a plant tour of Smith & Wesson, and an invited talk by 1987 alumnus Vincent Amuso.

We are pleased to welcome two new faculty members into the School of Engineering. Dr. Gary Teng has joined the Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering Department after holding teaching positions at North Carolina A&T and the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee. His Ph.D. is from Auburn. Dr. Teng's many areas of expertise include production and manufacturing systems, automation, reliability, and quality.

We also welcome back Dr. James Moriarty. Jim has returned to the faculty after a four-year absence, during which he worked in industry and finished his Ph.D. at the University of Connecticut. His expertise covers the entire computer area including hardware, software, data acquisition, and parallel processing.

From Donald Dunn, interim dean, School of Law:

One of the pleasures of being a dean is watching the accomplishments of our students. I want to focus on just a few of them and acknowledge, with my most sincere thanks, their contributions to the School of Law during the year.

Our Jessup International Moot Court Team won the Northeast Regional Championship this February and placed second for Best Memorial (brief). This is the first time in our school's history that we have won this particular competition, and along the way we beat some of the so-called "better known" institutions. Congratulations to team members Darlene Massery, Silvia Perez, Dianne Quigley, and Tom St. John and to their coach, Professor Arthur Wolf.

Our Negotiation Moot Court Team placed fifth nationally. After a second place finish in the regional competition which our school hosted, our team of second-year students were invited to the nationals in San Antonio, Texas. I gained special satisfaction in seeing our team finish fifth out of the field of 24, which included placing ahead of the team that won the regional round. This year's team was coached by third year student Maggie Easton. The team members were Jason Scott, Mary Miles, and Denise Kristoff.

Earlier this year, Jodie Roure, a third year student, was elected president, Region One, of the Hispanic National Bar Association. Since her election, she has promoted our Law School at every opportunity with other northeast schools.

Our student organizations were extremely active and effective throughout the year. Amy Russo, our Student Bar Association president, and her various SBA committees organized one successful activity after another. Michael Blanchard, editor-in-chief of our *Law Review*, oversaw the production of two outstanding issues of our journal. Rita Mascellino, the representative of the Law Student Division of the ABA, promoted this organization and our school in innumerable ways. Amelia Varela fostered many great programs through her leadership in the Multi-Cultural Law Student Association, as did Jennifer Thorn, who heads the Women's Law Association. Our women's intramural basketball team, coached by professors Bruce Miller and Richard Cole, won the twenty-second annual tourney, an event our school founded and has hosted since its inception.

Each time our students reach out to the larger community, they help increase the name recognition of the School of Law. This has been a very strong year and our students' good deeds are being noticed by a growing audience.

Off-Campus Programs

Doug Kenyon, administrative director of Off-Campus Programs.

Alumni who are thinking of returning to school should keep in mind that Western New England College has an extensive Off-Campus Program, headed by Administrative Director L. Douglas Kenyon. "Along with undergraduate programs, we offer graduate programs such as an MBA with six different concentrations, an MS in Systems Management, MS in Engineering Management, and an MS in Criminal Justice Administration," Doug notes.

Off-Campus Programs started in 1975 with a little over 165 students at three locations. Presently, it serves over 1,200 students at 15 locations throughout the Commonwealth. Adds Doug, "Our numbers are growing. In the past two years alone, we have graduated more than 800 students."

Classes in Off-Campus Programs meet once a week during four 11-week semesters. The fall semester runs from October through December; the winter from January through March; the spring from April through June; and the summer from July through September. Classes are available mornings, evenings, and weekends. Says Doug, "The four semesters a year make it more convenient for adult and professional students and allow them to complete their degrees in a shorter period of time."

Doug joined Off-Campus Programs as a member of the staff in 1986 and was promoted to director in July 1994. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration and an MBA from Western New England College.

The locations and degrees available in the College's Off-Campus Programs are listed at the right and below. Feel free to contact any of the administrative offices for more information.

Degree Programs

Undergraduate:

AA – Liberal Studies
BA – Liberal Studies
BS – Business Administration
Management
Leadership
Acquisition and Contracting
Computer Info. Systems
BS – Law Enforcement
Certificate - Acquisition & Contracting

Graduate:

MBA – General
Accounting
Acquisition & Contracting
Finance
Health Care Management
Management Info. Systems
Marketing
MS – Criminal Justice Administration
MS – Engineering Management
MS – Systems Management

Dr. Caprio (center) visits with members of the Off-Campus Program at the Pre-Inaugural Celebration: Dan Turco, Massachusetts State Trooper (second from left); Edward Cronin, retired lieutenant colonel, Massachusetts State Police (second from right); and Sean Burke, director of public safety for the Lawrence, MA, school system (far right), are all adjunct faculty in the College's Off-Campus Program. Gerald Flynn (far left) is an off-campus student and president of the Lowell Police Union.

Teaching Locations

Ayer, Devens, Building P-2602
Bedford, Hanscom Air Force Base, Building 1728
Billerica, Middlesex County Sheriff's Department, Treble Cove Rd.
Bourne, Upper Cape Regional Vocational Tech, 220 Sandwich Rd.
Cape Cod, Otis ANGB, Coast Guard Air Sta., Education Bldg.
Falmouth, The Learning Center, 297 Dillingham Ave.
Greenfield, Greenfield Community College, 1 College Dr.
Malden, Malden Police Department, 200 Pleasant St.
Marlboro, Marlboro Police Department, 355 Bolton St.
Norwood, Norwood Jr. High School North, 275 Prospect St.
Pittsfield, Berkshire Community College, 1350 West St.
Plymouth, Plymouth North High School, Obery St.
Plymouth, Plymouth South High School, 490 Long Pond Rd.
Topsfield, Masconomet Regional High School, 20 Endicott Rd.
Yarmouth, Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School, 210 Station Ave.

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Off-Campus Programs:

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Woburn, MA 01801
(617)933-1595 or
(800) 446-WNEC

3179 Main Street
Barnstable, MA
(508) 362-4936

29 Chennault Street
Hanscom AFB, MA 01731
(617) 274-0309

Building P-2602
Devens, MA 01433
(508) 772-3212

ALUMNI-IN-ADMISSIONS NEWS

Program Update

Members of the Alumni-in Admissions Advisory Board, the Admissions Office, and the Alumni Relations Office extend their sincere thanks and appreciation to all the Alumni-in-Admissions volunteers who represented Western New England College at college fairs in their areas for the Spring 1997 season:

Connecticut:
Fred Clark '81

Delaware:
Michele Cooke '74

Florida:
Donna Bliss '79
Peter Forret '63
Bill Walker '61

Illinois:
Mary Kannavos '84

Massachusetts:
Maureen Clang '79
Dave Mavlouganes '88

New Jersey:
Diane Miele '88

New Hampshire:
Peter Garafalo '74

New York:
Tim Cusack '77
Tim Davis '86
Keith Fagan '89
Karen Ferone '93
Jeff Roszman '77

Rhode Island:
Christine Deeb '92

Virginia:
Glenn and Megan Moshier '95

The Alumni-in-Admissions program allows alumni across the nation to continue their connection with Western New England College by representing the College at college fairs, attending open houses, and helping to spread information about the College to potential students and their families.

If you would like to become part of the Alumni-in-Admissions program, please contact Debora Kelleher, coordinator of volunteers, Western New England College, 1215 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA 01119. Phone (413) 782-1400, Fax (413) 796-2147.

The Alumni-in-Admissions Advisory Board

With the addition of two new volunteers, the Alumni-in-Admissions Advisory Board now has 15 members:

Liz Cleaves '96
Dale Facey '83
Ron Goulet '67
Laurie Heroux '95
Dawn Johnson
Debora Kelleher '94
Michelle Lalancette '93
Tom Manzi '87
Mike McBride '85
Ray Meyers '51
Melanie Otero '94
Jennifer Paquin '96
Don Trudeau '70
Kristy Veneziano '94
Joe Wakem '93

Alumni Connections

Debra LaPress '84 of Harrison City, PA, is one of many wonderful alumni who are making connections for Western New England College all over the country. In February, Debra was called and asked if she would speak with a potential student and his family, who lived in Pennsylvania, about Western New England College. She was delighted to help and soon contacted the family and provided the information they wanted about the College.

About a week after this connection, the student flew to Western New England College and was met at the airport by staff from the Admissions Office. The student was given a tour of the College, asked many more questions, and before he left, had paid his deposit to attend in the fall.

Without Debra's help and enthusiasm, this student may have chosen another college. The Alumni Relations and Admissions Offices extend a sincere thank you to Debra for this important recruiting effort that she made on behalf of the College.

Many more "connections" are waiting to take place. If you would like to help by speaking to potential students and their families in the area where you live, just fill out the form below and send it back to Debora Kelleher, coordinator of volunteers, Western New England College, 1215 Wilbraham, MA 01119-2684.

I'd love to help the College by contacting potential students who live near me!

Name:_____

Class year:_____

Major:_____

Address:_____

City/State/Zip:_____

Home phone number:_____

Work number:_____

Best time to call:_____

ALUMNI CAREER NETWORK IN ACTION

Alumni Network in Boston and Hartford

The Omni Parker House in Boston, MA, hosted a March 25 Alumni Career Networking event, which included 28 students and 40 alumni representing a wide variety of careers ranging from editors to computer consultants.

Ted Anastasi '89, chair of the Service Committee of the Alumni Association, began the event by sharing his own experiences as a network volunteer and discussing the services offered by the Office of Career and Human Resources. Ted then introduced Dr. Anthony S. Caprio, president of the College, who shared his excitement about the networking program. Dr. Caprio was followed by Cari Carpenter, internship and employer relations administrator at the College, who offered key networking tips to the students prior to the networking session.

After this successful event, alumni and students gathered on April 3 at the Farmington Marriott in Connecticut for another networking reception. They shared their feelings about the job market and the strategies they should take in pursuing a career. Neville Bogle '75/G'81, the Alumni Association chair for Hartford, CT, welcomed the group and shared his ideas on the current and future job market in the Hartford area, and the resources offered by the Career and Human Resources office.

Cari Carpenter passed on strategies for making the night as successful as possible. Ian Martin '97 then spoke about the students' expectations for the event, sharing his own tips of how to make the most of the evening.

Both students and alumni made important contacts at these events. Students said they were able to ask alumni important questions about their prospective careers while sharpening their interviewing skills in the process. Many alumni even offered students information on current job openings at their companies.

Andrea Saari, events/special projects coordinator in Alumni Relations, says, "These events, sponsored by the College, help to create a strong link between our students and alumni who can then help and support each other for many years to come." She sends a special thanks to the alumni and students who made these events so successful, to Ted Anastasi '89 and Neville Bogle '75/G'81 for hosting their respective events, and to Dr. Caprio for his continued support.

If you would like to become part of the network, or would like more information, please call Debora Kelleher, coordinator of volunteers, at (413) 782-1400.

Senior Keith O'Rourke (left) gets some career tips from John Turgeon '83 at the recent networking reception at the Farmington Marriott in Connecticut.

Alumni and students discuss the job market and strategies for pursuing a career on April 3 at a networking reception at the Farmington Marriott in Connecticut.

ALUMNI NEWS

School Receives Bequest

Western New England College recently received a $50,000 bequest from the estate of alumna Jean Cameron Sterling, who died in 1985 at the age of 74. The bequest was sent to the College upon the death of her husband, Esmond Sterling, in 1996.

Jean graduated from Western New England College in 1946 with a degree in accounting. Following a lifetime business career with the Dexter Corp. based in Windsor Locks, CT, Jean moved from Connecticut to Florida with her husband. She was very active in civic affairs throughout her life. She served as a Girl Scout leader for many years in Windsor Locks before getting married and was a featured speaker around the country with the Council of Profit-Sharing Industries.

One of her greatest business achievements was guiding the former family-owned company, C.H. Dexter & Sons Inc., through a series of high-level mergers to its present designation, the Dexter Corp., now a Fortune 500 company, and the oldest listed on the New York Stock Exchange. She served as vice president of finance and secretary for the corporation at the time. She climbed her way up the ranks when executive women were the exception. She took her first job at Dexter in 1927 as a payroll clerk.

After retiring in 1970, she and Esmond moved from Suffield to Boca Raton where she volunteered at the Community Hospital there.

The late Jean Cameron Sterling '46

David Boyle '89 (right), the newly appointed New York Metro area chair for the Western New England College Alumni Association, talks about future alumni events with coworker Todd Kerin '94. David and Todd both work at J.J. Kenny S&P Evaluations Inc. in New York City, David is assistant manager of Unit Investment Trust Services.

Michael Mack '77 and Richard Vilardo '72 are among many alumni gathered at the City Club in Washington, D.C. on February 6. Richard is the Washington, D.C. area chair for the Western New England College Alumni Association.

L to R: Western New England College Trustee C.W. Gilluly gathers with Everett Ladd '63 and Mike Serafino '77 during the alumni reception at the City Club in Washington, D.C. in February.

ALUMNI FOCUS

John Turgeon '82

"I never really left the College," says John Turgeon, thinking back to when he graduated from Western New England College in 1982. "I starting volunteering at the College right after graduation and for the next ten years. I helped with phonathons, served on career panels, and worked my way up in the Alumni Association to become president of the group in 1992."

John has been busy the past few years building his career, a successful one he attributes to hard work and a good education at Western New England College. After working for many years at Main Hurdman and at Bilton, Bushey, MacLeod, P.C, John began his own accounting firm, John E. Turgeon, CPA, in West Springfield, in 1989. He remembers, "I learned so much from Accounting Professor Louis Raverta that helped me in starting my own company. Dr. Raverta had his own accounting practice and was well known throughout the community when he taught at the College. He was a real mentor."

John took on a partner in 1990 to form Bilton, Turgeon & Co. Then in 1992, he bought out Al Bilton and brought in Phil Schultz as a partner. Finally, in the fall of 1996, John merged with Aubrey, Dixon & Riley to become Aubrey, Dixon, Riley, Turgeon & Schultz LLC. They have offices on High Street in Holyoke and in Tower Square, where the College Downtown Campus is located, in Springfield. Today, along with the five partners, the firm includes 13 professional staff and four administrators.

Excited about the merger, John notes, "It's good to have staff behind you. It opens up new possibilities and everything is going well so far. I foresee a change in the future for accounting firms. We don't just do taxes anymore. We're getting away from that old stigma of the CPA. We're consultants in every facet. We do financial planning, estate planning, business valuations, and much more. Everyone in the company has a specialty. I've been involved lately with nonprofit companies and organizations and with construction—what a combination!"

John is quick to point out also that, besides himself, several other Western New England College graduates work for Aubrey, Dixon, Riley, Turgeon & Schultz LLC. One such graduate is Lisa (Grabiec) Freeman '90, daughter of Richard Grabiec, assistant dean of the School of Engineering at the College. Also working at the company are David Billeter '77, Kevin Boisselle '87, Ann (Robillard) Lukasik '80, and Wendy (Sponhour) Mickas '93.

Western New England College is also a family tradition for John. His wife, Cheryl (Thresher) Turgeon, graduated from Western New England College in 1985, and with an MBA in 1988. She has taught at the College in the past and currently teaches at Asnuntuck Community College in Enfield, CT. John and Cheryl live in East Longmeadow, MA, with their two daughters, Kaylene, 8, and Karly, 3.

John's dad, Raymond Turgeon, received his degree from the College in 1962 and an MBA in 1972. Ray is also a past president of the Alumni Association. John's mother, Joan, worked for the College for more than 25 years before leaving last year. His uncle, Gene Bellotti, graduated in 1976, and his cousin, Traci Metzger, graduated in 1990.

John met President Anthony Caprio for the first time at the Bright Nights Ball in Springfield last November and was very impressed, "I think Dr. Caprio is just what the College needs," he states. John also recently reminisced with faculty, staff, and colleagues at a luncheon at the Downtown Campus and he and his wife, Cheryl, attended the Inauguration of Dr. Caprio.

He plays in the annual Alumni Golf Tournament regularly, and he's also hoping to get involved with the Alumni Network once again, perhaps speak on a career panel, and help the College with fund-raising. Adds John, "Now, with company buyouts and mergers out of the way, I'm back and happy to be involved with the College again. I received an excellent education at Western New England College. I have enjoyed volunteering in the past and look forward to helping the College prosper in the years ahead with Dr. Caprio as president."

John '82 and Cheryl '85 Turgeon with President Anthony Caprio at the Bright Nights Ball in Springfield last November.

Homecoming 1997

Saturday, September 20, 1997 (Notice new date!)

Events for the day are being planned now! If you are part of a reunion class and would like to bring your classmates back to campus to celebrate, or if you would like to participate in an alumni game, please call Andrea Saari '96, events/special projects coordinator, at (413) 782-1557 or (800) 962-6592.

Children enjoy wonderful balloon sculptures at Homecoming '96.

The Golden Bears face off against Assumption during Homecoming '92.

Alumni and their families enjoy the beautiful day at Homecoming '90

Alumni varsity basketball players came back for a game during Homecoming '93.

Come Celebrate the Day!

Class Notes

DID YOU KNOW . . . You can contact several Class Correspondents through the Internet now. Their e-mail addresses are below their names or just e-mail your news to the Office of Alumni Relations at alumwnec@wnec.edu

1961

Class Correspondent:
Denise Crawford
136 Meadow Road
East Longmeadow, MA 01028
E-mail: dcrawfor@wnec.edu

1963

Donald Zaik (MBA), a retiree of Berkshire Life Insurance Co., was one of nine area professionals named to the Berkshire United Way's Campaign Associates Program. He will work with the Berkshire United Way during its fundraising campaign which kicked off on September 6, 1996, and will officially end November 22, 1997. Donald and his wife, Mary Esther, live in Pittsfield, MA, and have two grown children.

1965

Thomas Kennedy (BSBA) was recently inducted into the International Poetry Hall of Fame. The honor is based on outstanding poetic talent, depth and breadth of books published, Golden Award Winners, and significant contributions to the *Poetry Anthology*. Thomas, author of *Peace Love Joy* by Winston Derek Publishers, lives in Holyoke, MA, and is an elementary school teacher in the South Hadley Public Schools.

1966

Class Correspondent:
Theodore Dernago, Jr.
697 College Highway
Southwick, MA 01077
(413) 569-6863

Stan Liana (BSBA) writes, "I have been living in California for the past 20 years, specifically in and around the Silicon Valley just south of San Francisco. I am currently a procurement manager of information systems and technologies for Apple Computer, Corporate Headquarters in Cupertino, CA. I am also the vice president of membership for the National Association of Purchasing Management in Silicon Valley. I have written several articles for *Infoedge Magazine* and *Purchasing Today* on electronic commerce, one of the hottest things going in these parts. Any WNEC alumni are welcome to contact me for information regarding the Silicon Valley of Electronic Commerce at sjlii@aol.com."

1968

Class Correspondent:
Ronald Bettini
1200 Southampton Drive
Port Orange, FL 32119-2496

1969

Class Correspondent:
Janet Johnson
131 Coolidge Ave. Ste. 215
Watertown, MA 02172-2847
(617) 924-0037

1970

Class Correspondent:
Guy Lithwin
78 Norman Avenue
Pittsfield, MA 01201
(413) 445-5573

Stephen Root (MBA) was selected as the executive director of the Greater Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau. In this position, he is responsible for all operations of the Bureau. He oversees all marketing efforts, convention sales, public relations, and membership recruitment. Stephen was most recently employed as senior vice president of BayBank, where he worked for more than 27 years.

1971

Class Correspondent:
Thomas E. Rokosz
2815 Clubhouse Drive
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 754-2228

1973

Gregory DeSantis (MBA) was appointed vice president and general manager for Worldwide Customer Support at Hamilton Standard in Windsor Locks, CT. In his new position, Gregory is responsible for managing the company's network of repair facilities around the world, as well as for ensuring on-time delivery of spare parts to the company's customers and repair facilities. He joined Hamilton Standard in 1966 and lives in Windsor, CT.

1974

Class Correspondent:
Michele Cooke
11 Dasher Avenue
Bear, DE 19701

Robert Champigny (MBA) was named president of Rexam Graphics where he will oversee global operations of the coated paper and film manufacturer located in South Hadley, MA. Rexam Graphics is a division of Rexam Coated Films & Paper of Charlotte, NC, itself a subsidiary of British-based Rexam PLC.

Gary Smith (MBA) was named chairman of the Connecticut Bankers Association which represents commercial banks, savings banks, savings and loans, and trust companies in legislative, regulatory, and general banking issues in both Connecticut and Washington. Gary is president and CEO of Ridgefield Bank. He is active in many civic organizations locally in Ridgefield.

1975

John Bamonte (BSBA) married Jo Miller September 7, 1996. John is a sales manufacturer's representative and his wife is an attorney in Conroe, TX.

Thomas Foster (BA) has been appointed assistant vice president for Amsure Associates in Schenectady, NY.

Gregory Macdonald (MBA) joined the R.E. Lee Group/US as executive director/vice president. Previously, he was national sales director at Travelers.

1976

Class Correspondent:
John S. Bonatakis
19 Kimberly Circle
Longmeadow, MA 01106

1977

Class Correspondent:
Patricia (Reale) Serafino
37 Pleasant Valley Road
Feeding Hills, MA 01030
Phone: (413) 789-2032

Douglas Bourbeau (BSBA) was promoted to assistant vice president at United Cooperative Bank of West Springfield, MA. With United for three years, his responsibilities include supervision of consumer credit underwriting to the loan function. Douglas, his wife, Sue, and their son, Christopher, live in Longmeadow, MA.

1978

Michael Garber (BA) of Wilbraham, MA, was named second vice president in the individual line systems development division and was designated a senior officer at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA. He joined the company in 1978.

Frank Schoenrock (BSBA) opened a public accounting practice in Southwick, MA. The firm offers a variety of professional tax, accounting, auditing, financial, and management advisory services to individuals and businesses. He is licensed by the Massachusetts State Board of Accountancy and the Connecticut State Board of Accountancy.

1979

Class Correspondent:
Esthela Bergeron
163 Pearl Street
Holyoke, MA 01040

Mary (Laymond) Harvazinski
420 Pinkster Lane
Slingerlands, NY 12159

Steven Reynolds (BSBA) married Diane Tremblay July 19, 1996, in Windsor Locks, CT. Steven is employed by Travelers/Aetna Property Casualty Co. in Hartford, CT. Diane is employed by United Health Care in Hartford. They live in Windsor Locks.

John Van Kamerik (BS) joined the Pratt & Whitney Turbine Airfoil Product Center in North Haven, CT.

1980

Class Correspondent:
Chris (Meimaris) Lauria
6 Berry Lane
Norfolk, MA 02056
(508) 359-3540
E-mail: christine.lauria@cibadiag.com

Heather Brennan (BSBA) recently received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal and was promoted to Lieutenant Commander in the Navy. She was recognized for her outstanding achievement while serving as supply officer because of her "superb initiative and contribution in helping the command fulfill its mission." Lt. Cmdr. Brennan currently serves at Fleet and Industrial Supply Center, Pearl Harbor, HI. She joined the Navy in 1980.

Delores Kestyn (MBA) has joined Landry, Lyons & Whyte Company/

Better Homes and Gardens in the firm's West Springfield office as a sales associate.

Rosalia Velasquez (MBA) is the president of the United Way of Central Massachusetts. She began her United Way career in Worcester, MA, in 1980 and has worked for the organization in Springfield, San Francisco, New York City, and most recently, Atlantic City, NJ. She returned to Worcester to assume her new position in April 1996. She was featured in *Worcester Magazine* last November.

1981

Class Correspondent:
Lynn (Schneider) McCreary
14027 W. 113th St.
Lenexa, KS 66215-4834

Len Lewis (MSIR) writes, "My first grandson is nearly one and a half years old. His name is Jake."

1982

Thomas Florence (BSBA) '87 (MBA) was named associate director in the corporate services division of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA. He lives in Wilbraham, MA.

Richard Hanchett (BA) has been elected vice president in the Commercial Loan Division at Park West Bank and Trust Company. He lives in West Springfield, MA, with his wife, Cynthia, and son, Zachary.

Margaret Hertig LaMotte (BSBA) of Wilbraham, MA, was named assistant vice president in the individual line large corporate market division at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA.

John Kukowski, Jr. (BS), Air Force major, has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal. The medal is awarded for outstanding noncombat meritorious achievement for service to the United States. Major Kukowski's leadership and dedication to duty ensured the highest quality of men and women were recruited into the United States Air Force. As chief, Resource Branch, he accomplished the most extensive facility reorganization and upgrade ever undertaken. As a result of these new locations, the Health Professions Team recruiting efforts improved significantly. This is his third award. Major Kukowski is a navigator/instructor at Randolph Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

Mark Olney (BSBA) was promoted to marketing director for the Pepsi/Lipton Tea Partnership which is a Lipton joint venture with Pepsi established in 1992 to build a ready-to-drink ice tea brand and category. Mark and his wife, Nancy, and children, Brian, 12, and Lauren, 9, will move to the New York area after Mark completes a two-year marketing assignment for Unilever (Lipton) in London, England. Mark joined Unilever in 1982.

Joel Scussel (BSBA) was appointed vice president and manager of Bank of Boston/First Aggie's West Street office in Pittsfield, MA. Joel has managed the bank's Great Barrington office since 1993. He began his career with First Agricultural Bank in 1985 and lives in Pittsfield.

1983

Class Correspondent:
Lee Ann Harvey
60 Tracy Drive
Agawam, MA 01001-2148
(413) 786-6151

Richard Axtell (MBA) of Bedford, MA, has been honored at Hanscom Air Force Base for 30 years of federal service. He is director of contracted support management in Electronic Systems Center's Systems Acquisition Directorate. He has worked at Hanscom since 1970. Electronic Systems Center is the Air Force Center of excellence for development and acquisition of command and control systems.

Mike Segala '83 was appointed eastern divisional sales manager at Victaulic in Easton, PA.

Barry Christman (MBA), chief operating officer of Western Recycling, Inc., and a vice president with Gagliarducci Construction Company, was installed as president of the Home Builders Association of Western Massachusetts for his second full term. This marks only the second time in the 57-year history of the association that a sitting association president has been elected to serve two full, consecutive terms. Barry and his family live in Wilbraham, MA. He also serves on the board of the Construction Industries of Massachusetts and is a corporator of the Children's Study Home.

Michael Fixer (BSBA) accepted a position with Fleet Bank as vice president in Fleet's Cash Management Consulting Group, after two years as cash manager at Yale University. He started at Fleet in November 1996, and is based out of Fleet's Corporate Offices in Hartford, CT.

Deanna (Riggles) Lavoie (BSBA) and her husband, Armand Lavoie, announce the birth of their daughter, Danielle, on September 6, 1996. They live in Stafford Springs, CT.

Tracey (Roff) Miele (BA) received an MS in human resource management at the New School for Social Research in New York, NY, in 1993. She is currently vice president of employment services at Merrill Lynch and Company, Private Client Group in Princeton, NJ. She lives in Summitt, NJ, with her husband, Louis, and three-year-old son, Eric.

Mike Segala (BSBA) was appointed eastern divisional sales manager at Victaulic in Easton, PA. He was previously mid-Atlantic regional sales manager and is now responsible for all sales activity on the eastern seaboard.

Alumnus/a of the Year Award

The Alumni Association is now accepting nominations for the 1997 Alumnus of the Year Award. This award is presented to an alumnus or alumna who has displayed an extraordinary commitment to professional achievement, civic responsibility, high personal standards, and Western New England College with a spirit of knowledge, integrity, and service. Deadline for submissions is August 20, 1997. Please return the nomination form below to the Office of Alumni Relations, 1215 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, MA 01119-2684.

Trustee Alfred LaRiviere '51/ H'95 presents the 1996 Alumna of the Year Award to Christine Soverow '84.

Nomination for the Alumnus of the Year Award

Name:_____

Class year:_____ Degree:_____

Address:_____

City:_____

Nominated by:_____

Please list on a separate sheet of paper the accomplishments or activities that the nominee has made or participated in.

Include: WNEC activities, civic organizations/highest titles, professional and personal accomplishments

John Turgeon (BSBA) is the director of human resources for Price Waterhouse LLP in Hartford, CT. He joined the company in 1983 directly out of school. After working in both the audit and tax departments of the firm and becoming a certified public accountant, John took over the human resources responsibilities for the office. He is currently serving as chair of the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants' Pledge Committee and as a member of the Society's Strategic Planning Committee. He also assists INROADS/Greater Hartford & Springfield, Inc., a not-for-profit organization which promotes the development of talented minority students in business, with its annual training and development needs. John lives in Enfield, CT, with his wife, Maryellen, and their two daughters.

John Tuttle (BSBA) and his wife, Mitzi, welcomed their second child on February 16, 1997. Abbey Elizabeth Tuttle weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Big brother Johnathon was happy to see his little sister. John is the eastern regional sales manager for Hillshire Farms & Kahn's/Division of the Sara Lee Corporation. The Tuttle family lives in East Hampton, CT.

1984

Class Correspondent:
Patricia Dimauro-Prunty
8 English Way
Pleasant Valley, NY 12569

Donna Hooper (MBA) began work in August 1996 as the Lexington, MA, town clerk. She previously chaired the Human Services Committee and served on the Long Range Planning Committee. She is currently a Lexington Historical Society member.

Leslie Lawrence (MBA) was appointed regional director of Small Business Banking at BankBoston. In this position, Leslie is responsible for the management of BankBoston's Small Business Banking network throughout Hampden, Hampshire, and Franklin counties. Leslie lives in Holyoke, MA.

Tom Piccin (BSCPE) recently earned a Master of Arts in Linguistics with a specialization in American Sign Language linguistics from Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. This is his second graduate degree, having earned a Master of Science in Engineering Management from Florida Institute of Technology in 1990. Tom currently works as a software engineer in the Washington, D.C. area.

1985

Class Correspondent:
Charlene (Downes) Metcalf
50 Armstrong Road
Enfield, CT 06082

James Coville (BA) has joined Landry, Lyons & White Co./Better Homes and Gardens in the Wilbraham, MA, office as a sales associate. He lives in Longmeadow, MA.

Kevin (BSBA) and **Jacquie** '88 (BSBA) **Hamel** announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Michael, on March 22, 1996. Benjamin joins his sister, Allyson, 3. The Hamels live in Cheshire, CT.

1986

Class Correspondent:
Debra Lans
174 Van Winkle Lane
Mahwah, NJ 07430
(201) 818-8886

Amy (Grossman) DiCarlo (BSBA) and her husband, Nicolas, announce the birth of their first child, Steven Nicolas, born February 13, 1997. Amy and Nick live in Stamford, CT.

Todd LeTellier (BSBA) and his wife, Kimberly, announce the birth of their son, Matthew Ryan, on September 27, 1997. Todd is a REMIC Bond Administrator at Fannie Mae in Washington, D.C. The LeTelliers live in Ellicot City, MD.

1987

Class Correspondents:
Frank "Chip" Dyer
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E-mail: dyerfdf@bravo.otis.utc.com

Michael Lauzier
24 Saginaw Street
South Windsor, CT 06074

Jeffrey Ballou (BS) of Monson, MA, has entered studies for the Catholic priesthood at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. He is a pre-theology student studying for the Diocese of Springfield, MA.

Patricia Gootzit (BSBA) was named second vice president in the pension management division at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA. She joined the company in 1980.

Stephen Scuderi (BSEE)(JD'79) has joined Aeroquip Corporation, a TRINOVA Company, as program manager-air conditioning and refrigeration, Americas region for the Aeroquip Industrial Group in Maumee, OH. His responsibilities include alternate refrigerant to R-22, a key initiative as the industry focuses on eliminating CFCs from air conditioners, as well as new product development. He is Aeroquip's liaison to the Environmental Protection Agency and Aeroquip's representative to the Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Institute.

James Sullivan G'87 was elected treasurer of The O'Connell Companies in Holyoke, MA.

Stephen Scuderi '87 has joined Aeroquip Corporation as program manager-air conditioning and refrigeration, Americas region for the Aeroquip Industrial Group in Maumee, OH.

James Sullivan (MBA) was elected treasurer of The O'Connell Companies in Holyoke, MA. His responsibilities include treasury, insurance, and bonding activities for O'Connell Companies and its subsidiaries. James joined O'Connell's in 1982. He lives in South Hadley, MA, with his wife, Patricia, and children Maura, Brendan, and Daniel.

1988

Class Correspondents:
Marilyn Gorman
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Warwick, RI 02886

David Iwanicki
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West Chester, PA 19380
Work: (610) 918-1984

Jacquie (BSBA) and **Kevin** '85 (BSBA) **Hamel** announce the birth of their son, Benjamin Michael, on March 22, 1996. Benjamin joins his sister, Allyson, 3. The Hamels live in Cheshire, CT.

Rebecca (Dempster) (BA) and **Alain Tremblay** announce the birth of their daughter, Kathleen Sarah, on January 13, 1997. Rebecca is a Montessori teacher in West Hartford, CT, and Alain is a systems analyst at Fleet Bank in Hartford. They have recently bought a home in Simsbury, CT.

1989

Class Correspondent:
Lisa Bozenhard
P.O. Box 2192
Westfield, MA 01086-2192

1990

Class Correspondents:
Heidi Jones
23 Hospital Avenue, Apt. A
Danbury, CT 06810

Audrey (McDonald) Koonan
P.O. Box 754
North Oxford, MA 01537
(508) 987-2423

Suzanne Fish Francke (BSBA) had a son, Jonah Matthew, on January 7, 1997. She writes, "My husband, Tim, and I are extremely happy living in our new home in Grafton, MA." Suzanne is currently working as a business service manager processing and servicing lease applications for a small leasing company in Westboro.

Patricia (D'Amico) Garcia (BA) writes, "On January 7, 1997, my husband, Victor, and I were blessed with the arrival of Ashley Lauren. I will stay home to raise her. Victor was recently promoted to vice president of Marine Finance at Bank of Boston. We live in Arlington, MA."

Sean Gately (BSLE) was promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Massachusetts State Police. He lives in Woburn, MA, and has two daughters, Tiffany and Crystal.

James Montemayor (BSBA) was promoted from credit analyst to commercial loan officer at Westfield Savings Bank. He lives in Holyoke,

MA, and joined Westfield Savings Bank in 1995.

Elizabeth Perconti (BSW) married **Jonathan Bryce Buck** '93 (BSBA) on March 15, 1997. **Chris Schoen** '91 (BSBA) was Maid-of-honor. Writes Liz, "It was great having our college friends celebrate this special time with us." Liz is a social worker for the Passaic County Board of Social Services. Bryce is employed by Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company. Liz and Bryce live in Lodi, NJ.

1991

Class Correspondents:
Chip Doherty
3111 Cowley Way, Apt. 170
San Diego, CA, 92117-6582

Michelle Richardson
Director of Student Activities and Residential Programs
Washington & Lee University
University Center
Lexington, VA 24450
(540) 462-4111
E-mail: mirichar@liberty.wlu.edu

Julie (Farnham) Almeida (BA) writes, "I've been happily married since September 1994 and we're hoping to start a family soon. We bought a beautiful house in Ludlow, MA, in September 1995 and I enjoy gardening and barbecuing in our back yard. I am working for Behavioral Health Network in Springfield as a program coordinator and have been with them for six years. I'd love to hear from **Kelly Walther** and **Andrea Guttman**!"

Joey Baptista (BSBA) is the treasurer/CFO of a bank in his hometown in Massachusetts where he lives with his wife, Ann, and two children, JT, 6, and Kathleen, 1. Joey is coaching Little League and youth soccer. He's a CPA and is attending Bryant College for his MBA. His e-mail address is jbaptista@juno.com.

Kim Buckwalter (BA) is living in Northern Virginia near Washington, D.C. and working for Motorola as an account representative.

Dan Gregory (MSSM) has been awarded certification as a qualified environmental professional. Dan and his family live in Huntsville, AL. He and his wife, Heather, welcomed their third child on February 10, 1997. Dan writes, "David Patrick was born at Huntsville Hospital and is being overwhelmed by big sisters Victoria and Mikayla."

Daniel Harden (BSBA) is engaged to Michelle Branciforte. Daniel is the owner of Harden Sheet Metal, Newburgh, NY. Michelle is employed with Wunderman Cato Johnson, NYC, as a media planner. A fall 1998 wedding is planned.

Cathy Impoco (BSBA) is studying for her MBA through Western New England College's off-campus program. She is juggling work at Nabisco, classes, and volleyball. She says hello to everyone.

Kevin Kennedy (BSBA) will be married May 30 to his fiance Sherry.

Rich King (BA) will graduate from Loyola Law School in May. He accepted a position at a firm that he has been interning for in New Orleans. Kristin was just promoted at her firm. Rich and Kristin have a great apartment near St. Charles Street and Anne Rice's mansion. **Michelle Richardson** was in New Orleans and had fun with Rich and Kristin at the St. Paddy's Day Parade.

Russ Monroe (BSBA) has joined the Agawam, MA, office of Stearns and Yerrall, Inc. Realtors. Russ lives in Southwick, MA.

Jane Piecuch (BSBA) was married last December.

Michelle Richardson (BSBA), class correspondent, writes, "I hope everyone is doing great and looking forward to summer. Send me updates of you or your friends! I'm still down here at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, VA, but trying to make my way back up north!"

Susan Thomas (BSBA) has been married to Dr. Jacob Thomas since June 2, 1992. Susan is at home taking care of their 2 year-old son, Kevin. Jacob is an anesthesiologist at the Harrison Outpatient Surgery Center in Syracuse, NY. They have been living in Syracuse since 1992.

Norm Wazaney (BA) and his wife, Beth, will be having a baby this August. Norm works for Ballard Medical.

E. Wayne Weeks (BSBA) is engaged to Erin Loose. Wayne is a market analyst at AT&T, Parsippany, NJ. Erin is a promotions specialist at AT&T in Short Hills, NJ. They are planning a May 1997 wedding.

1992

Class Correspondent:
Amy Badal
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Geoff Ahlberg (BSBA) writes, "After graduation I attended various pro hockey training camps over the course of a few years, even though I never played in college. In 1992-93, I played games for the Memphis RiverKings, Detroit Falcons, and the Dayton Bombers. In 1993-94 I played a full season in Sweden for a pro team in Landskrona. I was there for eight months. Most recently, in the fall of 1995, I was playing for the Johnstown Chiefs. After that I started consulting for CIGNA as a help desk support person, trouble shooting and configuring workstations. I started to discover hidden talents and a liking

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Prices are affordable: For an outside stateroom on the Main Deck with two beds the price is $1325. For an inside stateroom on the Main Deck with two beds the price is $1225. These prices are per person based on double occupancy.

The cruise fee includes airfare from Hartford to Miami and back to Hartford, transfers to and from the ship, your cabin, all meals and entertainment, and all taxes (including port and departure tax) and services except gratuities for waiters, busboys, and cabin stewards.

This cruise is being offered through Magic World Travel, Springfield, MA, Hillary Kaufman, owner and manager. Reservations must be made by July 31, 1997. For further information, or to make reservations, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 1 (800) 962-6592.

for computers. I was hired in December 1996, as a computer programmer, programming with RPG, CL, and SQL in JDEdwards software on various IBM AS400's across the manufacturing sector of Hamilton Standard, a division of United Technologies, Inc."

Eric (BSBA) and **Nina (Musante)** (BA) **Bremer** have recently moved to Londonderry, NH. Eric has accepted a new job as northeast sales manager for Eastern Bearings in Portsmouth, NH. Nina is still at Westfield Capital Management in Boston, MA, where she is an equity trader.

Terry Couture (BSBA) has joined Landry, Lyons & Whyte Company/ Better Homes and Gardens in the firm's Springfield office as a sales associate.

Deidre Darville (BSBA) attended Quinnipiac College, Hamden, CT, and received an MBA in May 1995. She has been working at the local Xerox division since moving back home to Nassau, Bahamas. She was promoted to systems controller in November 1996 where she administers a network of approximately 50 computers.

David Delesky (BSCJ) married Jennifer Grigal on September 28, 1996. David is employed with the Raritan Borough Police Department. Jennifer works at Medicor Cardiology in Bridgewater, NJ.

Andrea Gaspardino (BA) writes, "In July 1995, I began working at Pennsylvania State University Park as assistant director for Greek and Community Life. Currently I advise the Interfraternity Council which includes 55 fraternities. I also assist students with off-campus living issues. As a result of both populations, I work very closely with the State College police and borough officers. I hope everyone enjoyed Homecoming '96. I wish I could have been there, but unfortunately I had a job related commitment. Hope to see everyone next year."

Robert Haines (BSBA) married Christie Gaudreau in August 1996. Robert is a lease account manager for Ryder Transportation Services. His wife is a third grade teacher at Lincoln School in Springfield, MA. They live in Springfield.

Greg McDonough (BSBA) writes, "I've been at Merrill Lynch since March 1995, after two years at Dean Witter. I am getting married May 10, 1997, to Kelli Mokeler, a 1992 graduate of Westfield State College."

Scott Stevens (BSBA) is engaged to Melanie Fletcher. Scott is employed by Prudential Preferred Financial Services in Salem, NH. Melanie is a student at Rivier College in Nashua, NH. An August 16 wedding is planned.

James Trela (BSEE) received his masters degree in electrical engineering and completed another year of postgraduate work at UConn in

IN MEMORIAM

Irving C. Jacobs '26 (BSBA) died February 21, 1997, at age 92. He lived in Windsor, CT, formerly in Longmeadow, MA, and was a trustee emeritus and a former chairman of the Board of Trustees of Western New England College. He worked for Gilbert & Barker Manufacturing Co. of West Springfield, MA, for 40 years, retiring as president in 1966. A longtime Western Massachusetts business leader, Mr. Jacobs was also a trustee of Wesson Memorial Hospital and the Eastern States Exposition and a director of Future Springfield Inc. and Junior Achievement of Western Massachusetts. He leaves his wife of 70 years, Esther (Stevens), a daughter, Elinor Walker, a sister, three grandsons, and four great-grandchildren.

Lawrence W. Kenney '29 (BSBA) of Springfield, MA, died January 6, 1997, at the age of 99. He was an accountant at the Newell Jewelry Store for 50 years. His wife, Anna (Dunleavy), died in 1979. He leaves a son, Lawrence, a daughter, Nancy Burton, five grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

Howard K. Rodenhizer '31 (BSBA) died November 7, 1996, at age 88. He lived in Holyoke, MA, and was a treasurer of the former Ludlow Savings Bank, retiring in 1973. Before that, he was an accountant for Hitchcock and Co. in Springfield. He formerly lived in Springfield and Ludlow, MA, and in Clearwater, FL. He leaves his wife of 62 years, Ida (Widlund), a son, Neil, a daughter, Donna Haura, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Roy K. Cowan '35 (BSBA) died February 2, 1997, at age 86. He lived in Middletown, NY, formerly in Agawam, MA. He was a comptroller for Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA, where he was employed for 45 years, before retiring in 1971. He leaves his wife, Mildred (Holcomb), a daughter, Beverly Weeden, a grandson, and a great-granddaughter.

Ernest A. Bleeck '40 (BSBA) died October 12, 1996, at age 90. He lived in San Antonio, TX, formerly in Agawam, MA. He was the export manager for the former American Bosch Co. in Springfield, MA. He moved to San Antonio in 1990. He leaves his wife, Mary, two daughters, Frieda Bleeck Martinez and Ann Fragala, and two grandchildren.

George Lacoske '50 (BSBA) died August 4, 1996, at age 85. He lived in Meriden, CT, and worked for the State of Connecticut as an auditor in the Department of Revenue Services until his retirement in 1979. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the Finance Corps. He was a volunteer and leader for many organizations in his hometown over the years, including as a tutor for Literacy Volunteers, a volunteer at the Meriden Soup Kitchen, and a classroom volunteer at Casimir Pulaski School. He leaves his wife, Louise Arnold Lacoske, a son, Jere, three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. His wife, Louise, wrote to the College recently, "We attended many events at Western New England College. George was always interested in his classmates and in watching the College grow and prosper."

Joseph A. Milner '52 (BSBA) died February 14, 1997, at the age of 86. A Mashpee, MA, resident, he was a decorated World War II veteran and a retired business executive. He was director of purchasing and transportation for Tenneco Inc. of New Jersey and retired in 1972. After retirement, he was an industrial consultant. Joseph was certified to practice law before the bar of the Interstate Commerce Commission. His first wife, Lillian Casoia, predeceased him. He leaves his second wife, Adele (Langson), three sons, Joseph, Martin, and Peter, a daughter, Therese Silberman, two stepsons, Thomas Boswell and Timothy Boswell, a brother, sister, and six grandchildren.

Armand Leblanc '61 (BSBA) died January 14, 1997, at the age of 67. He lived in Southampton, MA, formerly in Holyoke, MA. He was an Army second lieutenant in the Korean War. He leaves his wife, Raphael (Burns), two sons, Stephen and Daniel, a daughter, Jean Bernath, three grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren.

Robert J. O'Donnell '62 (BSBA) '67 (JD) of Springfield, MA, died September 7, 1996, at age 64. He was director of Labor Relations for the City of Springfield. A Navy veteran of the Korean War, he was a member of the Hampden County Bar Association. He leaves his wife, Helen (Dunphy), four sons, Robert J. III, W. Kevin, Paul, and Peter, two daughters, Maureen O'Donnell and Beth Creanza, his mother, a brother, two sisters, and 14 grandchildren.

Richard A. Neis '64 (MBA) of Westfield, MA, died December 19, 1996, at age 64. He was an international consultant for several government agencies and previously a 23-year senior vice president at Federal Land Bank in Springfield. He was a World War II Army veteran and served in the Asiatic-Pacific theater. He leaves his wife, Namesia (Abatayo), a son, Richard A. Jr., a daughter, Deborah Arquette, a brother, a sister, and six grandchildren.

Horst F. Randhahn '64 (BS) died January 16, 1997, at the age of 76. He lived in South Hadley, MA, and worked at Worthington Corp. (now Atlas Copco) in Holyoke, MA, for 25 years, and was an international consulting engineer for 10 years. He retired in 1990. His wife, Welhelmine (Hehn), died earlier. He leaves four sons, Fred, Christian, Andreas, and Bernhard, a sister, and three grandchildren.

James H. Smith '65 (BSBA) has passed away. He lived in Enfield, CT.

William J. Rodgers '68 (BSBA) died January 6, 1997, at the age of 67. He lived in Holyoke, MA, and was a 40-year electro-plater for Industrial Chromium Corp. and a veteran of the Korean War. He leaves his wife, Patricia (Hampson), two sons, William Jr. and Michael, two brothers, three sisters, and three grandsons.

John W. Donohue '69 (MBA) died October 16, 1996, at age 78. He lived in Clearwater, FL, and since 1985 had worked at Clearwater Auction. He was a retired lieutenant colonel with 30 years in the Air Force and was a veteran of World War II and the

electrical engineering. He is working at Spectran with fiber optics.

Gloria Trolio (BSBA) is engaged to be married to **Steve Axiotis** '93 (BSBA) on October 18, 1997. Steve is a purchaser for Shriner's Hospital in Springfield, MA, and Gloria is an accountant with the State of Connecticut, D.R.S. She writes, "We are very busy with the final details for our wedding and moving into our new home in Ludlow, MA. We're looking forward to our honeymoon in St. Lucia to recover from the big events!"

Frank West (MBA) and his wife, Karen, have recently moved their real estate office (West Real Estate) to 413 Main Street, Wilmington, MA.

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James Bailey (BA) married Kimberly Marsden on May 25, 1996. James is employed at Bailey Motors in Springfield, MA. Kimberly is a cosmetologist at DiGrigoli Salon in West Springfield. They live in Monson, MA.

Dennis Bentley (MBA) was promoted to the rank of major in the U.S. Air Force on September 1, 1996. Major Bentley is currently stationed at Robins Air Force Base in Georgia where he is director for Joint Stars Operations Logistics at the Electronic Systems Center, Detachment 1. He and his wife, Lisa, live in Perry, GA, with their two children, Taylor and Aaron.

MaryBeth Bonatakis (BSBA) was promoted to accounts payable manager at Patton Construction Company, Atlanta, GA. She has been with the company for three years and lives in Atlanta.

Brenda Hounsell (BSBA) received her Master of Education from Springfield College in May 1996. She writes, "I am currently working at Assumption College in Worcester, MA, as the assistant director of student activities. I love it!" Brenda hopes to travel to Aruba this year with friends **Tammie Weiss** and **Patti Reed** '94.

Willy Ramos (BSBA) writes, "I work for 'The Professionals,' a free health care advice and physician referral service at Baystate Medical Center. I do referrals, class enrollments (BMC programs), and other duties involving the program. I travel to Puerto Rico on a yearly basis."

Alison Sands (BSCJ) is the first woman police officer from Ludlow,

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Vietnam War. He also had worked as an internal auditor for the Department of Labor and Employment Security. He leaves his wife, Helen, two daughters, Denise and Joyce, a son, Terrence, and two grandchildren.

Raymond L. Faniel '70 (MBA) died January 28, 1997, at the age of 67. He lived in Springfield, MA, and was the city's fire commissioner from 1968-76, and a 45-year claims consultant for Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. He retired in 1992. Raymond was an Army veteran of the Korean War. He leaves his wife of 40 years, Gladys (Hall), two sons, Lance and Erik, three daughters, Roxanne Faniel, Rhea Christian, and Ixchel Faniel, a granddaughter, two uncles, and nephews and nieces.

Ronald E. Martin '71 (MBA) died September 20,1996, at age 55. He lived in Tolland, CT, for 28 years. An Army captain who served in Vietnam, Ron was a chemical engineer in the fuel-cell division of United Technologies. He leaves his wife, Bonnie-Joan (Kraft), a daughter, Kirstin, and a son, Jason.

Algot V. Olson, Jr. '71 (BSME) died December 9, 1996, at the age of 64. A real estate owner who lived in Agawam, MA, he was an Air Force veteran of the Korean War. He leaves his wife, Merle (Blakesley), two sons, Robert and Mark, and four grandchildren.

George N. 'Buz' Tripp '71 (BA) died in December 1996 at age 47, after an eight-month battle with cancer. He lived in Tenants Harbor, ME, and formerly in Easthampton, MA. George and his wife, Linda, owned and operated Harts Neck Cottages in Tenants Harbor. He had been associated with the Outward Bound program since 1971 and was instrumental in preserving many old buildings and trails on Hurricane Island, ME. He leaves his wife, his parents, George and Gladys (Pidgeon) Tripp, two sisters, two nieces and a nephew.

Edward E. Bergman '73 (BSBA) died August 28, 1996, at age 49. He lived in Canaan, NY, and was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was employed by the Massachusetts Labor Department in Westfield, MA, for four years as a representative. For the past 18 years, he had worked for Conrail in the car manager department before retiring in April. He leaves his wife, April "Laurie" (Pulver), two daughters, Jody Laura Bergman-LaCoy and Jackie Bergman, a sister, two brothers, his stepmother, a stepdaughter, and a grandchild.

Frederic L. Caban '75 (BSIE) '79 (MBA) died December 14, 1996, at age 51. He lived in Springfield, MA, and was an aerospace engineer for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. He leaves a daughter, Heather, a sister, and several nephews and nieces.

Kenneth Y. Laube '76 (BA) of Columbus, IN, formerly of Pittsfield, MA, died December 14, 1996, at age 42. He was a senior materials manager at Onkyo America Inc. in Columbus until he had to leave because of his illness. He leaves his wife, Pamela (Tufo), two daughters, Amy and Kristina, his father, Homer, a brother, a sister, a stepbrother, and two stepsisters.

Albert H. Perrault '76 (MBA) has passed away. He lived in Springfield, MA.

Nicolette C. Dickinson '84 (BA) died December 31, 1996, at age 88. She graduated from Western New England College at the age of 75. She lived in Spokane, WA, for the past four years. Her husband, Harry Wallace Dickinson, predeceased her. She leaves a daughter, Constance Smith, two granddaughters, and three great-grandchildren.

Melody Michopoulos '86 (MBA) of Lowell, MA, died January 9, 1997, at the age of 48. She began her teaching career in the Chelmsford, MA, schools in 1970. Most recently, she was a language teacher at Chelmsford High School. She leaves her father, Xenophon Micholpoulos, a brother and sister-in-law, two uncles and their wives, an aunt, and many cousins.

Virginia L. Heidke '88 (MBA), a former nurse and nursing administrator, died September 17, 1996, of pancreatic cancer. She was 62 years old and lived in Middleboro, MA. Virginia was employed by the former St. Luke's Hospital in Middleboro for 20 years, the last 11 years as vice president of nursing prior to the hospital's closing in 1990. More recently she had been a case manager at the CURA Visiting Nurse Association in Plymouth, MA. She leaves three sons, Barry, Scott, and David, a sister, a granddaughter, and several nieces and nephews.

Joseph M. Baker, a trustee of the College from 1975 to 1981, died March 10, 1997, at age 85. Dr. Baker lived in Longmeadow, MA, and was one of the country's first plastic surgeons. He opened a private practice in Springfield in 1943, specializing in reconstructive and oral surgery. He performed more than 500 operations at the Shriners Hospital for Children in Springfield, MA. His wife, Eileen S. (Sullivan) Baker, died in 1992. He leaves two sons, Joseph Jr. and David, two daughters, Frances Houser and Martha Moran, a sister, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

John N. Brusseau, a former Western New England College professor, died December 14, 1996, at age 68. He was an associate professor of electrical engineering at the College for 16 years. He lived in Agawam, MA, and was a member of the Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineers. He leaves his wife, Jean (Demarais), two daughters, Theresa Brusseau and Nancy Venigni, two brothers, four sisters, and two granddaughters.

Louis E. Stratton, a former employee of the College, died October 21, 1996, at the age of 80. He lived in Springfield, MA, and had been the manager of the science department laboratories at Western New England College. He retired in 1983. He leaves his wife, Marion (Blanchard), two sons, Elliott and Allen, two daughters, Leslie Spencer and Donna Wayland, a sister, 13 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

MA, to ever complete the training course at the Western Mass. Criminal Justice Training Center in Agawam.

Tammie Weiss (BSBA) is working in the Public Relations Department at Credit Suisse First Boston in Manhattan, NY. She has been living in New York City for the past three years.

Andrew Zolotor (MBA) of Longmeadow, MA, was named associate director in the Financial Services division at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA.

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Christine Guiel (BSBA) is engaged to Dominic Pompi. Christine is a senior client service representative in the Tax Department at Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. in Springfield, MA. Her fiance is the owner and operator of Memo's Coffee Shop in West Springfield, MA. The wedding date has been set for August 16, 1997.

Patti Reed (BSBA) is an account executive in the Sales Office at Lucent Technologies in Waltham, MA, and lives in Charlestown.

John White (BSLE), a state trooper who lives in Winthrop, MA, received the Massachusetts State Police Medal of Merit. He served with the Marine Corps from 1977-1983. He is currently assigned to Troop F, Logan Airport. Trooper White also was the 1992 recipient of the Trooper George L. Hanna Award. He received additional departmental commendations in 1992 and 1995 and is an active member of the State Police Underwater Recovery Unit.

1995

John Crosby, Jr. (BSCJ) graduated from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Glynco, GA, as a U.S. border patrol agent. He is now stationed in Las Cruces, NM.

Chris Quatrone (BA) of Agawam, MA, was one of two students awarded scholarships at the Calvin Coolidge Awards Banquet from the Western Massachusetts Republicans organization at its annual fund raising event. Chris serves as an Agawam City Councilor and is pursuing a graduate degree at Central Connecticut State University. He also plans a career in law.

Aaron Robb (BA) writes, "I am currently working with special needs students at Lenox Memorial High School in Lenox, MA. I'm also the assistant baseball coach there. I live in Pittsfield, MA, now and I'm getting married in July. I hope to hear from some of my long-lost WNEC buddies in the near future."

Susan Saya (MBA) has joined the staff at Braintree Hospital Rehabilitation Network in Braintree, MA, as director of contract therapy services.

1996

Richard Birk (BSIE) of West Springfield, MA, was promoted to ISO management representative at Ludlow Textiles Company, Inc., in Ludlow, MA. He will also continue in his position as quality assurance manager.

Stacey Blinderman (BA) writes, "Upon graduation I was offered a position at UNUM, a life and disability insurance company located in Holyoke, MA. I enjoy traveling to UNUM's home office in Portland for training and have met a lot of people and have made great contacts. I love it!"

Michael Jellson (BSBA) was promoted from assistant account executive to account executive at Business Data Services, Inc. He has relocated to the Oak Brook, IL, office from the company's Glastonbury, CT, headquarters. Michael is responsible for creating and implementing a strategy for increasing business opportunities in the company's Midwest region. The company tailors software solutions for clients in the Chicago area. Michael lives in Lisle, IL.

Sean Kilburn (BSBA) was hired as an analyst at Clarke Distributors Inc. in Keene, NH.

Joy Poggi (MBA) was just appointed as a teacher for the National Health Education Center, Springfield, MA.

David Rosenthal (MSCJA) married Candace Warren recently. David is employed by the Peabody, MA, Police Department. Candace is employed by Milgray Electronics. The couple lives in Danvers, MA.

1997

Roy Bergeron (BSLE) was awarded the National American Legion award for heroism in September 1996 in the Belchertown, MA, Town Hall. A veteran Belchertown police officer, Roy braved a fire twice to bring two men out of a burning house in April 1995. In a formal ceremony, Legionnaires gave Roy a ribbon and medal of valor, plaque, certificate, and citation. He was one of 15 recipients statewide of the Law and Order Award for Heroism Above and Beyond the Call of Duty.

Susan Meyerhoff (MBA) has joined Blum Shapiro & Company, P.C., an accounting and business consulting firm in West Hartford, CT, as a principal to its affiliate, Blum Shapiro Healthcare Services Co., LLC. She specializes in medical practice management, strategic planning, practice assessments, and financial analysis. She is a member of the Medical Group Management Association, the American College of Healthcare Administrators, and the Health Financial Management Association.

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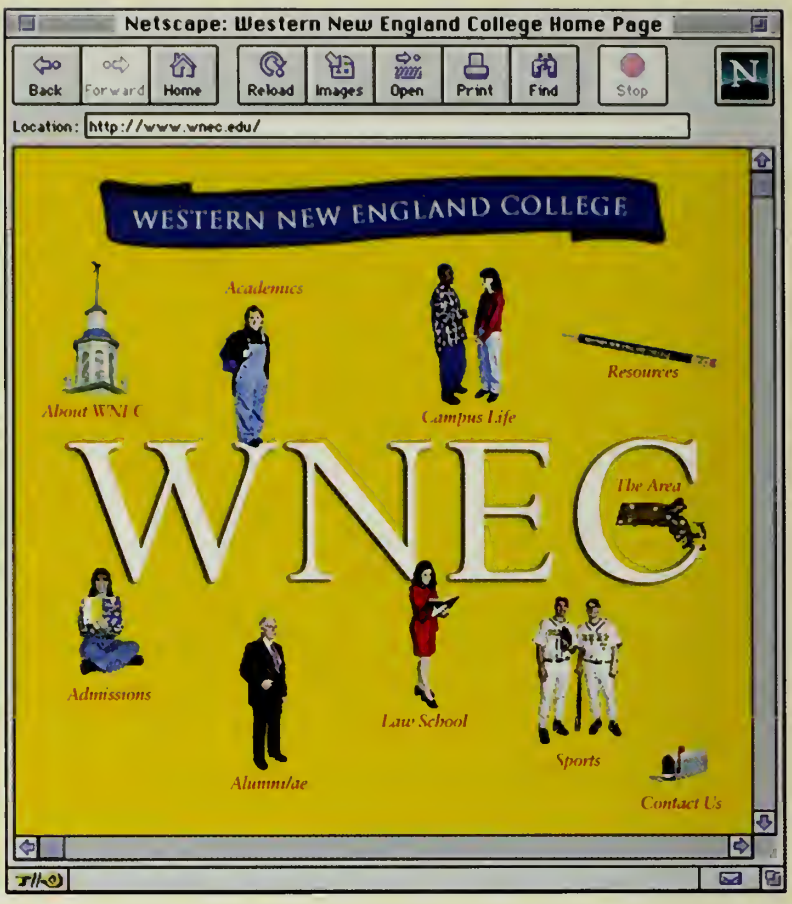

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